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3	UNITED STATES OF AME	ERICA,
4		Case No. 1:19-cr-227 (LJV)
5	V.	September 12, 2024
6	JOSEPH BONGIOVANNI,	
7	Defe	endant.
8	TRANSCRIPT EXCER	RPT - EXAMINATION OF CURTIS RYAN - DAY 3
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8	(Excerpt commenced at 9:11 a.m.)
9	(Witness and Jury seated at 9:11 a.m.)
10	THE COURT: Good morning.
11	JURORS: Good morning.
12	THE COURT: You all look great in your blue and
13	white.
14	JURORS: Theme day.
15	THE COURT: The record will reflect that all our
16	jurors are present again.
17	I remind the witness that he's still under oath.
18	And, Mr. MacKay, you may continue.
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20	CURTIS RYAN, having been previously duly called and
21	sworn, continued to testify as follows:
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23	(CONT'D) CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. Mackay:
24	Q. Good morning again, Agent Ryan.
25	A. Good morning.

09:12AM I just want to kind of recenter us and get us back on 1 track of what we were talking about yesterday. 2 09:12AM You were one of the two lead investigators into 09:12AM 09:12AM Mr. Bongiovanni, correct? With HSI? 09:12AM Α. Yes. That would be you and Agent Halliday, correct? 09:12AM Q. Α. Yes. 09:12AM And then there was obviously an OIG component with Agents 8 09:12AM Q. 9 Fusco and Carpenter, correct? 09:12AM 10 Yes. 09:12AM Α. 09:12AM 11 Okay. I think we discussed yesterday, when you sat 12 Mr. Bongiovanni down in June of 2019, one of the -- at least 09:12AM 13 part of the answer he gave to you for why he brought the 09:12AM 14 Serio file home was that he wanted to show that he did 09:13AM legitimate work on the file, correct? 15 09:13AM 16 Yes. Α. 09:13AM 17 And you had testified that after that July 20th, 2018 09:13AM date, you had tried to keep any investigation about 09:13AM 18 19 Mr. Bongiovanni in connection to Serio from Mr. Bongiovanni, 09:13AM 09:13AM 20 correct? 21 Yes. 09:13AM Α. 22 And we walked through, though, I showed you Government 09:13AM 23 Exhibit 26E that was a DARTS email about a month and a day 09:13AM 24 later that you caused to be generated, correct?

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Yes.

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- And we saw in there, if you recall, there's reference in 1 09:13AM there to the Ron Serio drug-trafficking organization, 2 09:13AM 09:13AM correct? 09:13AM Α. Yes. And the Ron Serio drug-trafficking organization was what 09:13AM you understood Mr. Bongiovanni was investigating back in 2013 09:13AM with the Wayne Anderson/Ron Serio file, correct? 09:13AM 8 Yes. 09:13AM Α. 9 Okay. And 100A, that's that Redweld you talked about, 09:13AM Q. 10 09:13AM correct? 09:13AM 11 Α. Yes. 12 You reviewed that, ultimately, prior to testifying here 09:13AM 13 today, correct? 09:14AM 14 Α. Yes. 09:14AM As part of your investigation, you went through all the 15 09:14AM 16 documents, correct? 09:14AM 17 Yes. 09:14AM Α. And part of that was you actually had to scan them in and 09:14AM 18 19 make them into a digital version, correct? 09:14AM 09:14AM 20 I didn't scan them all, but I helped with that, yes. 21 Right, you were part of that process to ultimately 09:14AM 22 produce what we're going to go though as 100A.1, correct? 09:14AM 23 Α. Yes. 09:14AM
 - Q. All right. Now, in your experience with -- as HSI agent working over with the DEA, just remind the jury, working

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- 1 files, is it fair to characterize them as sort of the agent's
- 2 | personal collection of papers on a file while they're working
- 3 | the file?

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- 4 A. It's the documents that don't go to the official file in
- 5 | the file room.
- 6 | Q. Okay. Fair to characterize it's something like the
- 7 documents sort of immediately needed for the agent that they
- 8 | might thumb through when they're working on the case?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 | Q. It's kind of the quick reference to the file, maybe?
- 11 | A. That's one reason to have those, yes.
- 12 | Q. Right, yeah. I'm just kind of trying to paint the
- 13 | picture, that the working file is something that the agent
- 14 | has at their quick disposal so that they don't have to go to
- 15 | the sort of master file to get the stuff out of every time,
- 16 | correct?
- 17 | A. Right.
- 18 Q. And ultimately, the agent, according to policy, should
- 19 | put everything in the final master file, correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- $21 \mid Q$. And at that time back in 2013, DEA was transitioning to
- 22 | an electronic file system, correct?
- 23 A. I don't know, I wasn't there in 2013.
- 24 | Q. No, when -- you came on board, again, when? At the DEA
- 25 as a task force officer.

- Late '16, early '17, somewhere in there. 1 09:15AM Q. By then, the -- the shared or master files were all 2 09:15AM electronic? 09:15AM 09:15AM There were still paper case files in the file room 09:15AM then. Q. Okay. So, fair to say it was still in transition working 09:15AM its way from paper to electronic? 09:15AM 8 Α. Yes. 09:15AM 9 And then at some point in time after that, the files do 09:15AM Q. 10 become fully electronic? 09:15AM 09:16AM 11 Α. Not while I was there. I don't know. 12 Okay. All right. So, I want to go through some of the 09:16AM 13 things in 100A.1. 09:16AM 14 MR. MacKAY: Ms. Champoux, can you pull up Government 09:16AM Exhibit 100A.1? 15 09:16AM Can we start with the 4-19-13 subscriber list PDF 16 09:16AM right at the top? 09:16AM 17 And can we just rotate that, please? 09:16AM 18 19 BY MR. MacKAY: 09:16AM 09:16AM 20 Okay. This is a subscriber list, correct?
- 09:16AM 21 A. Yes.

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- 22 Q. Tell the jury again what this, what we're looking at
- 23 here, what one of these documents does?
- 24 | A. I think this is a report from PenLink, that's what it
- 25 | looks like to me. So, it's a list of the subscribers

- 1 | identified in that subset of the data in PenLink.
- 2 | Q. So, what I'm trying to get the jury to understand is how
- 3 | do we get this list, how does somebody get this list
- 4 | produced? Does it come from a phone number that's already
- 5 been generated somewhere? How do we wind up with this
- 6 | document?

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- 7 A. Subpoenas of all of these phone numbers for the
- 8 | subscriber information.
- 9 Q. Okay. And in your experience, typically it's the intel
- 10 | analyst who worked to produce the subpoenas and get the
- 11 | subpoena returns back?
- 12 | A. I always produced my own, but I know the intel analysts
- 13 often did it, as well.
- 14 Q. And obviously there's two parts of that. The subpoena
- 15 | has to go out the door to get the information, correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 | Q. And then the subpoena return comes back to the DEA with
- 18 | raw data, correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 | Q. And then that data has to be essentially parsed and
- 21 | sorted into something, and is it fair to say that that's sort
- 22 of what was this something is that we're looking at?
- 23 | A. Yes, it's a report from the something, which I think at
- 24 | the time was a software called PenLink.
- 25 Q. Right. Yeah. Again, I know it's a little painful to

step through step by step, but I want to go through that, you 1 09:18AM know, a subpoena goes out the door, information comes back, 2 09:18AM 3 it's put into a program that ultimately generates a report 09:18AM 09:18AM 4 like this, correct? 09:18AM Α. Yes. And in your experience, agents use this to sort of, for 09:18AM example, find out what numbers are most calling a specific 09:18AM number, correct? 8 09:18AM 9 A. Well, this one, the hot sheet is the what numbers most 09:18AM 10 This is more about who the people are that are 09:18AM called. 09:18AM 11 calling. 12 Okay. Yeah, we'll get to one of those there. 09:18AM 13 just, usually this is organized by alphabetical list, 09:18AM correct? Alphabetically by last name, it looks like, 14 09:18AM correct? 15 09:18AM 16 Yes. Α. 09:18AM 17 So, what this list shows is for a specific number that 09:18AM was subpoenaed, these are the numbers that are calling that 09:18AM 18 19 number, correct? 09:18AM 09:18AM 20 Α. I don't --21 Interacting with that number? 09:18AM Q. 22 I think this is all of the -- this is based on all of the 09:18AM Α. 23 numbers that were subpoenaed in that case file. You'd have 09:18AM 24 to run a different report to figure out which numbers where 09:18AM

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interacting with which.

09:19AM And what's that report? 1 It could be a hot list. Or you could query by the one 2 Α. 09:19AM number that you're talking about, and then it would -- you 3 09:19AM 09:19AM 4 know, if you set the query up properly, it would return all the numbers that talked to that number. 09:19AM Q. Okay. And again, you said that oftentimes it's the --09:19AM well, not in your experience with what do you with your own 09:19AM reports, but you know that a lot of times the analysts run 8 09:19AM 9 this actual, like, I think you said, PenLink software? 09:19AM 10 Α. Yes. 09:19AM And then they produce the reports and turn them over to 09:19AM 11 12 the agents, correct? 09:19AM 13 Α. Yes. 09:19AM 14 MR. MacKAY: Now, Ms. Champoux, can we pull up -- can 09:19AM we take this down, and can we pull up the file 81513 15 09:19AM electronic records, electric records? 16 09:19AM 17 09:19AM Okay. BY MR. MacKAY: 09:19AM 18 09:19AM 19 Okay. All right. This is another document in the file; 09:19AM 20 fair to say? 21 Α. Yes. 09:19AM 22 MR. MacKAY: And this -- can we go to, I think it's 09:19AM 23 page 2. 09:19AM

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Q. Okay. This looks like a return for some sort of

- 1 | information request regarding utilities at an address,
- 2 | correct?

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- 3 A. It's for electric from National Grid.
- 4 | Q. Right. So, something -- so a request went out to
- 5 | National Grid, and this is what came back regarding a
- 6 | specific address, correct?
- 7 | A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And in this specific document, it's the address of 1195
- 9 | Hertel Avenue, correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 | Q. And, you know, based on the name, it appears that the
- 12 | person in whom the utilities are named is John Suppa,
- 13 | correct?
- 14 | A. Yes.
- 15 | Q. And did you understand this 1195 Hertel Avenue in the
- 16 | course of your investigation to have any significance?
- 17 | A. There were several addresses that were controlled by Ron
- 18 | Serio. I wasn't reinvestigating all of this, so this wasn't
- 19 | all that important to me --
- 20 Q. Well, did you understand --
- 21 | A. -- the actual address.
- 22 Q. Did you understand this address to come up in the
- 23 | investigation at any point, this 1195 Hertel Avenue?
- 24 | A. Which investigation?
- 25 Q. When you were reviewing the Wayne Anderson file, in

looking at what had been done back in 2013, and reviewing the 09:21AM 1 original investigation, did you understand this 1195 Hertel 2 09:21AM Avenue address to come up? 09:21AM I mean, I know it came up because it's here, I don't 09:21AM remember anything else about it. 09:21AM Q. Okay. And, so, you don't know whether they were 09:21AM investigating this location as a grow location, correct? 09:21AM I know they were investigating grow locations, I don't 8 09:21AM remember the addresses. 9 09:21AM 10 Okay. And subpoenaing utilities is one way agents can 09:21AM investigate whether a location may be a grow location, 09:21AM 11 12 correct? 09:21AM 13 One way. 09:21AM Α. 14 Because they're looking for out of the ordinary 09:21AM electronic usage, correct? 15 09:21AM 16 Yes. Α. 09:21AM 17 MR. MacKAY: All right. Ms. Champoux, can we take 09:21AM that down? Can we pull up the file 467 Tacoma, elec sub? 09:21AM 18 19 Can we zoom out a little bit, please? 09:21AM 09:22AM 20 BY MR. MacKAY: 21 Q. And this, for example, what we're looking at, this is a 09:22AM 22 subpoena for electric records, correct? 09:22AM 23 Yes. Α. 09:22AM 24 Okay. And it appears to be associated with this address, 09:22AM Q.

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467 Tacoma Avenue?

And also 469. 09:22AM 1 Α. And 469. 2 Q. 09:22AM 3 MR. Mackay: Can we scroll down on that? 09:22AM BY MR. MacKAY: 09:22AM 5 Okay. It also appears in the same document to have 09:22AM that -- there's a reference to this 132 Rhode Island Street? 09:22AM Yes. Α. 09:22AM 8 Q. Okay. 09:22AM 9 I don't know if that -- that could be something that I 09:22AM Α. 10 caused, or shuffling of the papers caused, I don't 09:22AM necessarily know that they go together. 09:22AM 11 09:22AM 12 Okay. But you had said, you know, at least from what you 13 could see and what you knew about the Wayne Anderson 09:22AM 14 investigation, that there were some grow locations being 09:22AM investigated, correct? 15 09:22AM 16 Α. Yes. 09:22AM 17 MR. MacKAY: All right. Can we scroll down a little 09:22AM further, Ms. Champoux? 09:22AM 18 19 BY MR. MacKAY: 09:22AM 09:22AM 20 And again, here, I think we're on page 3 now, again, this 21 is a return for an electric subpoena, correct? 09:23AM 22 Α. Yes. 09:23AM 23 And it's just showing who properties might be associated Q. 09:23AM 24 with, correct?

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A. Yes.

MR. MacKAY: All right. Let's take that down, 09:23AM 1 Ms. Champoux, can we go to document that begins with a 561801? 2 09:23AM 3 That one right there. 09:23AM BY MR. MacKAY: 09:23AM 5 Okay. Now, this, I think you looked at this on direct, 09:23AM this is what's called a hot sheet, correct? 09:23AM Yes. Α. 09:23AM This looks kind of similar to what we were looking at 8 09:23AM before but it's a little bit different, correct? 09:23AM It's different in that it's organized by the number of 10 09:23AM times the number's been called from most times to least. 09:23AM 11 09:23AM 12 Okay. So, it's circled up here and it's -- you can see 09:23AM 13 it says hot number list is what you're referring to as a hot 14 sheet, correct? 09:23AM 15 Α. Yes. 09:23AM 16 Okay. And this one appears to have been on 09:23AM November 30th, 2012, correct? 17 09:23AM 09:24AM 18 Α. Yes. 19 Okay. Now, and the number, you knew that to be from your 09:24AM investigation Tom Serio's number? 09:24AM 20 21 Α. Yes. 09:24AM 22 Okay. And again, I think you were directing everybody's 09:24AM 23 attention to the way this is organized. So if you look from 09:24AM 24 rows one down further, fair to say what you're telling us is 09:24AM

that this report organizes the numbers that called this

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561-801-0221 number in order of who called the most and who 09:24AM 1 called the least, correct? 2 09:24AM The calls both directions, but yes. 09:24AM So, so, what this report generates is looking at 09:24AM all the calls both directions, in and out of that cell phone 09:24AM number of Tom Serio's, and its ranking them by where the most 09:24AM frequent to least frequent, correct? 09:24AM 09:24AM 8 Α. Yes. 9 Okay. And what's the investigative use for one of these 09:24AM Q. 10 in an DEA investigation? 09:24AM 09:24AM 11 Well, this one to me looks like a starting point. 12 then you have to make a decision about whether or not you're 09:25AM 13 going to subpoena all of these numbers in the tolls, or 09:25AM 14 select certain ones, prioritize the order you're going to do 09:25AM the next round of subpoenas in. 15 09:25AM 16 Okay. And you're talking about there's multiple rounds 09:25AM 17 This hot sheet list, does this come after one 09:25AM of subpoenas. 18 subpoena has already been sent out and information has come 09:25AM 19 back about phone numbers for -- connected to a specific phone 09:25AM 09:25AM 20 number? 21 To me, this looks like one of the first subpoenas done in 09:25AM 22 the file. 09:25AM 23 Q. Okay. 09:25AM

Because of the -- there are so many no subscriber

entries, if previous subpoenas had been done that identified

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- 1 | subscribers, some of those should populate.
- 2 Q. Yeah, I guess, so the question I have is the previous
- 3 | document we looked at, that subscriber list, you send out a
- 4 | subpoena in general to a number and you get back the
- 5 | information about it, correct?
- 6 A. Yes.

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- 7 | Q. Now, what we saw before was the alphabetically organized
- 8 list, now we've got the hot sheet. Do those two reports get
- 9 | generated at the same time, or is it sort of one after
- 10 | another in practice?
- 11 | A. The subscriber list filled in like that one was --
- 12 | Q. Yes.
- 13 | A. -- would have to come after several rounds of subpoenas.
- 14 | Q. Okay. So, I mean, again, we're just kind of going
- 15 | through it step by step. But the first stage is you've got
- 16 | to figure out what numbers generally are calling or being
- 17 | called by a number, correct?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 Q. So, that's the first round of subpoenas that goes out,
- 20 | and you get back that information presumably in response to
- 21 | the subpoena, correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- $23 \mid Q$. And then what an agent might do then is produce that list
- 24 | that we saw before that shows all of the numbers that call
- 25 | it, correct?

Yes. 09:26AM 1 Α. Or -- or are being called by that number, correct? 2 Q. 09:26AM Right. 09:26AM Α. And then the next stage would be if there's a lot of no 09:26AM subscribers, they would have to further subpoena who those 09:26AM 5 numbers are and figure out, like, I'm sorry, they would have 09:26AM to subpoena those numbers to figure out who the actual 09:26AM subscriber is, correct? 8 09:26AM 9 Right. Α. 09:26AM So, if we look at this report dated 11/30/2012, and we'll 10 09:26AM just take for example row number 2, there's a number, but 09:27AM 11 12 there's no subscriber; fair to say? 09:27AM 13 Α. Yes. 09:27AM 14 So, what this says is that in November of 2012, whoever's 09:27AM viewing this report knows that this 533-6338 number called 15 09:27AM Tom Serio's number, but they don't know who it is, correct? 16 09:27AM 17 Right. 09:27AM Α. Because they, you know, it says no subscriber, so --09:27AM 18 19 correct? 09:27AM 09:27AM 20 MR. TRIPI: Objection as to what someone else knows, 21 and who are "they." 09:27AM 22 THE COURT: No. 09:27AM 23 Speculative, Judge. MR. TRIPI: 09:27AM 24 I understand what you're saying, THE COURT: 09:27AM

Mr. Tripi, but no, I think it's a fair question.

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1 BY MR. MacKAY:

- 2 Q. All right. So, somebody viewing this would not know
- 3 | the -- who that 533 number is associated with because the
- 4 | report is saying no subscriber, correct?
- 5 A. Unless they already knew the number, right, the report
- 6 | doesn't tell you.
- 7 Q. Right. But this report alone just says no subscriber,
- 8 | correct?

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- 9 A. Right.
- 10 | Q. So, the next step is that 533 number would have to be
- 11 | subpoenaed independently, correct?
- 12 | A. Yes.
- 13 | Q. And then that subpoena would return information
- 14 | presumably identify who's -- who the subscriber for the 533
- 15 | number is, correct?
- 16 | A. If it's the type of phone where the company has the
- 17 | subscriber data, then yes.
- 18 | Q. Right. So, in order to get a list like this ultimately
- 19 | filled in that doesn't say no subscribers, you've got to do a
- 20 | second round of subpoenas to get the subscribers from all of
- 21 | these numbers, correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | Q. So, that's what, if I'm understanding it correctly, when
- 24 | you first said this looks like a very early on in the
- 25 | investigation document, it's because none of these numbers

- have the subscribers associated with them yet, correct? 09:28AM 1 2 Α. Correct. 09:28AM 3 Okay. And you said generally investigation, I think, 09:28AM 4 you've got do multiple rounds of these subpoenas to sort of 09:28AM 5 fill in and identify who all these folks are that call each 09:28AM other, correct? 09:28AM Yes. Α. 09:28AM And then a separate level of investigation might be, in 8 09:28AM 9 your experience, to then take the subscriber names that you 09:29AM 10 find from these numbers and subpoena utilities associated 09:29AM with the addresses, correct? 09:29AM 11 12 You could, yes. 09:29AM 13 If there's a suspicion that that might be a grow 09:29AM 14 location, you would do, for example, the utilities subpoenas, 09:29AM correct? 15 09:29AM 16 Well, I don't think that's the track. If I had a 09:29AM 17 suspicion about a location, I would subpoena the location. 09:29AM If I was looking at a person, then I would subpoen by the 09:29AM 18 19 person. 09:29AM 09:29AM 20 Right. But I guess what I'm saying is you might not in 21 your investigation know where a location is until you have it 09:29AM 22 off of a subscriber information subpoena return, correct? 09:29AM 23 That's correct. Α. 09:29AM
 - Q. And you might not even know who the subscriber is in the first place until you have that back from the subpoena

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- return, correct? 09:29AM 1 2 Α. Correct. 09:29AM So, what I'm saying generally speaking is sometimes 09:29AM multiple rounds of subpoenas are necessary to get to the 09:29AM 09:30AM point where you as an agent have names and addresses that you can work further in your investigation, correct? 09:30AM Yes. Α. 09:30AM Okay. And I think you went through this earlier, but at 8 09:30AM 9 the top it's circled it says, C2-11-0126, that file number, 09:30AM 10 correct? 09:30AM 09:30AM 11 Α. Yes. 12 And that was not the Wayne Anderson file, correct? 09:30AM 13 Α. It's not. 09:30AM 14 And below it, it says the name Bongo, right? 09:30AM 15 Α. Yes. 09:30AM 16 And you understood that in your investigation or your 09:30AM 17 personal time at the DEA to be Joe Bongiovanni's nickname, 09:30AM 18 09:30AM correct? 19 Α. Yes. 09:30AM 09:30AM 20 So, and I think you told us on direct it's common for 21 intel analysts to write this sort of information on the top 09:30AM 22 of one of these reports, correct? 09:30AM 23 Yes. Α. 09:30AM
 - Q. Because ultimately, they have to give these reports in paper form to one of the agents, correct?

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- 2 | Q. So, at least from what you can tell in this report, it
- 3 | looks like an agent wrote this case number and Joe
- 4 | Bongiovanni's nickname to provide him with this report that
- 5 | we see here, correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. And in your experience with the DEA as a TFO, it's
- 8 | not uncommon for agents to work other agents' cases, correct?
- 9 A. To assist each other?
- 10 Q. To assist, yes.
- 11 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 12 | Q. Okay.
- MR. MacKAY: All right. Ms. Champoux, can we take
- 14 | that down and can we pull up -- it's the next one down,
- 15 | 716-481-8002 toll analysis.
- 16 BY MR. MacKAY:
- 17 | Q. Okay. So now, we're looking at another toll analysis,
- 18 | correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 | Q. Okay. And, you know, based on the file number, and this
- 21 | number circled at the top, you understand this to be John
- 22 Robinson's phone number?
- 23 | A. I don't see a file number. I recognize that telephone
- 09:32AM 24 number.
 - 25 Q. Oh, when I was talking about the file number at the top,

I guess I meant the actual file number PDF. 09:32AM 1 Oh, the file name? Yes. 2 09:32AM Α. But do you recognize both from that file name and from 09:32AM 09:32AM the number that's here, do you recognize that to be John Robinson's cell phone number? 09:32AM Α. Yes. 09:32AM Okay. Now when we go back, do you recall that being a 09:32AM number that -- strike that. 8 09:32AM So, this is occurring on April 19th of 2013, correct? 09:32AM Yes. 09:32AM 10 Α. 09:32AM 11 Okay. And this is, you know, about six months almost 12 after that initial Tom Serio document we looked at, correct? 09:32AM 13 Yes. 09:32AM Α. 14 Okay. All right. Now, so what this -- what this is, so 09:32AM the jury understands, is a list of numbers that are calling 15 09:32AM or being called by John Robinson's phone number, correct? 16 09:32AM 17 Α. 09:33AM Yes. Okay. And, you know, some numbers we see here are Tom 09:33AM 18 09:33AM 19 Serio, correct? 09:33AM 20 Α. Yes. 21 MR. MacKAY: Ms. Champoux, can we go to the next 09:33AM 22 page, please? 09:33AM 23 Just rotate that. 09:33AM

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Q. And okay. Some other names came up that you knew had

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                       Michael Moynihan?
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                       We've talked about him already, but Tom Serio?
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                             MR. Mackay: Can we go to the next page,
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                   Ms. Champoux?
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                             BY MR. MacKAY:
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                       Here we see Michael Masecchia?
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                       Yes.
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                       Chris Baker?
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                       Looks like there's a couple different numbers there for
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                   him, correct?
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                       Paul Francoforte?
                   Q.
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                   Α.
                       Yes.
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                       Michael Buttitta?
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                   Q.
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                   Α.
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- Okay. 09:34AM 1 Q. 2 MR. MacKAY: Then can we go to the next page, 09:34AM 3 Ms. Champoux? 09:34AM 09:34AM BY MR. MacKAY: 5 09:34AM Mark Kagan, correct? Α. Yes. 09:34AM And Mark Kagan, you understood in the course of your 09:34AM investigation, to have some source of supply -- source of 8 09:34AM 9 supply relationship with Ron Serio? 09:34AM Source of supply, or maybe brokers of source of supply. 10 09:34AM Now, when you looked at one of the earlier 09:35AM 11 Okay. 09:35AM 12 documents, when we looked at one of the documents earlier in 13 you testimony here, I think you described as being relatively 09:35AM 14 early on in the process of an investigation, correct? 09:35AM Are you talking about the Tom Serio subpoena? 15 09:35AM Α. 16 Yes. Q. 09:35AM 17 Α. 09:35AM Yes. Now, compared to that one, fair to say this one 09:35AM 18 09:35AM 19 represents sort of a further step in the investigation, 09:35AM 20 correct? 21 That's more filled in, yes. 09:35AM 22 Yes, that's what I mean. Because there's more 09:35AM 23 information here, it's fair to assume this is sort of further 09:35AM 24 along in the investigative process, correct? 09:35AM
- 09:35AM 25 A. As far as subpoenas go anyways, yes.

09:35AM Right, because you talked about how there's multiple 1 rounds of subpoenas this looks like it came after several 2 09:35AM rounds, correct? 09:35AM 09:35AM Α. Yes. Okay. And we know in any event that date-wise it's a 09:35AM number of months after that Tom Serio sheet, correct? 09:35AM Yes. Α. 09:35AM MR. MacKAY: Can we take that down, Ms. Champoux? 8 09:35AM 9 Can we pull up the -- going to the next one down, 09:35AM 10 716-578-5296. Okay. 09:36AM BY MR. MacKAY: 09:36AM 11 12 All right. So, and this is another hot sheet, correct? 09:36AM 13 Α. Yes. 09:36AM 14 But this one, this goes back, crossed it right out but I 09:36AM was trying to underline, this goes back to July 16th of 2012, 15 09:36AM 16 correct? 09:36AM 17 It does. 09:36AM Α. So, this is even earlier than that prior sheet we looked 09:36AM 18 19 at with Tom Serio, correct? 09:36AM 09:36AM 20 Α. Yes. 21 And this one, there's a case number in the upper 09:36AM 22 right-hand corner C2-12-0090, correct? 09:36AM 23 Yes. Α. 09:36AM 24 And that is not the Wayne Anderson file, correct? 09:36AM Q.

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It is not.

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- And that is, do you recall that being the G.R. file 1 09:36AM number? 2 09:36AM I remember the name G.R., I'd need to see the documents 09:36AM to be able to say for sure that it's -- that's the right case 09:36AM 09:36AM number. Q. Okay. If I told you that was the number from the case 09:36AM file, would you have any reason to disagree with me? 09:36AM A. I'd like to see the documents before I say that it is or 8 09:37AM it isn't. 09:37AM 10 Okay. I don't want to break off and kind of pull that 09:37AM off and go back, so let's stick with this document for a 09:37AM 11 12 moment. 09:37AM 13 This is a different number that's being looked up, 09:37AM 14 correct? This -- this is a different number than the one in 09:37AM November that's being looked up, correct? 15 09:37AM
- 16 Α. Yes. 09:37AM

- 17 This is a 716 area code, correct? Q.
- 18 Α. Yes.
- 19 Q. The one in November was a 561 area code, correct?
- 20 Α. Yes.
- 21 But based on the address and the name that's written next Q.
- 22 to it, it looks like this is also for Tom Serio though,
- 23 correct?
- 24 Yes. Α.
- 25 Just generally speaking, the G.R. file, do you recall

that being one of Shane Nastoff's files? 09:37AM 1 I don't. 2 Α. 09:37AM Do you recall who worked it? 09:37AM 09:37AM Α. No. It wasn't Joe Bongiovanni; is that fair to say? 09:37AM Q. I don't know that either. Α. 09:37AM Q. Okay. 09:38AM MR. MacKAY: Ms. Champoux, can we show the witness 8 09:38AM 9 only --09:38AM BY MR. MacKAY: 10 09:38AM Would it help to refresh anything -- refresh your memory 09:38AM 11 12 to show you something? 09:38AM 09:38AM 13 I mean, if I saw a report with names and case numbers on 14 it, then yes. 09:38AM 15 MR. MacKAY: Sure. So Ms. Champoux, can we show for 09:38AM 16 the witness only Government Exhibit 8J? 09:38AM 17 MS. CHAMPOUX: J? 09:38AM 09:38AM 18 MR. MacKAY: J as in Jim. 09:38AM 19 BY MR. MacKAY: 09:38AM 20 Just take a look at that for a moment to yourself, let me 21 know if that refreshes your recollection. 09:38AM 22 A. Yes. It's a --09:38AM 23 MR. Mackay: Let me just take that down. 09:38AM 24 Ms. Champoux, you can take that down. 09:38AM

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09:38AM	1	BY MR. MacKAY:
09:38AM	2	Q. Does that refresh your recollection that the G.R. file
09:38AM	3	was, number 1, the case number was C2-12-0090?
09:38AM	4	A. I saw the case number and the agents. Could I see the
09:38AM	5	file title again?
09:38AM	6	MR. MacKAY: Yeah, can we show that again
09:38AM	7	Ms. Champoux?
09:39AM	8	THE WITNESS: Okay.
09:39AM	9	MR. MacKAY: Okay. All right. We can take that
09:39AM	10	down, Ms. Champoux.
09:39AM	11	BY MR. MacKAY:
09:39AM	12	Q. So, again, back to both of my questions. Does that
09:39AM	13	refresh your recollection first on what the case number for
09:39AM	14	G.R. was?
09:39AM	15	A. C2-12-0090.
09:39AM	16	Q. And number two, who the agent was who worked that case?
09:39AM	17	A. Shane Nastoff.
09:39AM	18	Q. Okay.
09:39AM	19	MR. MacKAY: We can take that down, Ms. Champoux.
09:39AM	20	Can we pull up the next one down actually, I'm sorry, one
09:39AM	21	more down. 716-830-3226 hot sheet.
09:39AM	22	BY MR. MacKAY:
09:39AM	23	Q. Okay. Now, this is another hot sheet that's run,
09:39AM	24	correct?
09:39AM	25	A. Yes.

09:39AM So, again, for the jury, that's the report that itemizes 1 in order of most called to the least called, the numbers 2 09:39AM interacting with the main number, correct? 09:39AM 09:39AM Α. Yes. And the number being focused on here is the 716-830-3226 09:39AM number, correct? 09:40AM Yes. Α. 09:40AM And you understand that to be Ron Serio's cell phone 8 09:40AM Q. 9 number? 09:40AM 10 I think it was one of them, yes. 09:40AM 09:40AM 11 Okay. And this is occurring, this report is being run, 12 April 19th of 2013? 09:40AM 13 Α. Yes. 09:40AM 14 Okay. So again, some of the same names were showing up, 09:40AM 15 I'm going to go through the names here, and let me know if 09:40AM 16 these are the same names you saw on some of the other hot 09:40AM 17 sheets and subscriber lists I showed you. 09:40AM Chris Baker, correct? 09:40AM 18 19 Α. Yes. 09:40AM 09:40AM 20 Okay. Looks like he's interacting with Ron Serio's phone 21 number, he's either calling him or getting called by Chris 09:40AM 22 Baker 446 times, correct? 09:40AM 23 Yes. Α. 09:40AM

There's his brother, Tom Serio, correct?

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Yes.

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127 times they're calling or -- in some fashion, correct?
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                             BY MR. MacKAY:
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                       Michael Masecchia?
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                       Michael Moynihan?
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                   Q.
                       Mark Kagan?
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                       Paul Francoforte?
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                   saw, appear to have interacted with some of the prior numbers
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                   that were in prior subscriber lists and hot sheets, correct?
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                       Okay. So, it seems to be that at least from what you can
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see there's several reports here that have an overlap in the 09:42AM 1 same names and numbers being called, correct? 2 09:42AM A. Yes. 09:42AM Now, you were shown in exhibit, Government 09:42AM Exhibit 100E-1, do you remember that one? That's the list, 09:42AM the handwritten list of numbers? 09:42AM Yes. Α. 09:42AM And that came out of the Redweld which you know to be 8 09:42AM Q. Government Exhibit 100A, correct? 09:42AM 10 Yes. 09:42AM Α. 09:42AM 11 Fair to say a lot of the names we just went through were 12 names and numbers that were on that handwritten sheet, 09:42AM 09:42AM 13 correct? 14 Yes. 09:42AM Α. 15 Q. Okay. 09:42AM 16 MR. MacKAY: Ms. Champoux, we can take down that 09:42AM 17 09:42AM document. 09:42AM 18 Let's go two more down. We've got the cursor, Baker 19 C rap sheet. 09:42AM 09:42AM 20 If we can zoom out a little bit. 21 BY MR. MacKAY: 09:42AM Okay. This, you know to be sort of a criminal history 22 09:42AM 23 check of somebody, correct? 09:42AM 24 A. Yes. It's a -- we call it a "triple I check," it stands 09:43AM

for Interstate Identification Index.

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- 09:43AM Okay. And sort of layman's terms, is this like running a 1 rap sheet on somebody? 2 09:43AM No, this won't necessarily give you the rap sheet. 09:43AM triple I check tells you if someone has a rap sheet and then 09:43AM there's another step you take to go find it. 09:43AM Q. Okay. So, this is sort of the initial step of finding 09:43AM out whether somebody has a prior criminal history, correct? 09:43AM 8 Α. Yes. 09:43AM 9 So, you have a name and some personal identification 09:43AM Q. 10 information, you can send out a query to this NCIC 09:43AM organization and you get back, in this sort of report, an 09:43AM 11 12 initial response of whether there's a rap sheet to be found 09:43AM for that individual, correct? 13 09:43AM 14 Α. Right. 09:43AM Could come back and there's no criminal history, correct? 15 Ο. 09:43AM 16 It would come back and say no record on file, but yeah, 09:43AM 17 means a person's not in there. 09:43AM Yeah, and then opposite would be it says there is 09:44AM 18 19 something in there, correct? 09:44AM 09:44AM 20 Α. Yes. 21 And then you can do a further search to find out what the 09:44AM 22 person's prior criminal history is, correct? 09:44AM 23 Yes.
 - And you can see this report is being run by 24 Q.
 - 25 Mr. Bongiovanni, correct?

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1 A. Yes.

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- 2 | Q. And it's being run on that same date as that hot sheet
- 3 | you saw before, April 19th, 2013, correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- $5 \mid Q$. And we saw the name Chris Baker on that April 19th, 2013
- 6 | hot sheet, correct?
- 7 | A. Yes.
- 8 | Q. So, is it fair to say a standard investigative procedure
- 9 | is to start doing some criminal history inquiries into
- 10 | individuals that show up on hot sheets?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- 12 \mid Q. Fair to say that, sort of, we talked about earlier and I
- 13 | don't want to keep going through every little step, but that
- 14 | there's multiple rounds of subpoenas to get information on
- 15 | phone numbers and individuals, correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And that helps to identify, in your experience, who's
- 18 | most in contact with a phone number, correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 | Q. And then, if you're investigating that contact the next
- 21 | step might be something like this, which is figuring out
- 22 | whether any of these individuals have prior criminal
- 23 | histories, correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 09:45AM 25 Q. All right.

MR. MacKAY: Can we take this down, Ms. Champoux? 09:45AM 1 And then can we go to the next down, Baker C, toll 2 09:45AM analysis? Okay. 09:45AM 3 BY MR. MacKAY: 09:45AM Now, what are we looking at here in this document? 09:45AM Well, in the first page, it's subscriber information for 09:45AM Chris Baker. 09:45AM 8 Q. Okay. 09:45AM 9 MR. MacKAY: Can we scroll down a little bit, 09:45AM Ms. Champoux? 09:45AM 10 09:45AM 11 BY MR. MacKAY: 12 And then what are we seeing here? 09:45AM 13 Then this is a hot list for 716-830-3226. 09:45AM Α. 14 And that was Ron, one of Ron Serio's phone numbers, 09:45AM 15 correct? 09:45AM 16 Yes. Α. 09:45AM 17 And this hot sheet was being run about a month before on 09:45AM Q. the April date on March 19th, 2013, correct? 09:45AM 18 19 Α. Yes. 09:46AM 09:46AM 20 And, again, what this shows in common parlance is the 21 most called numbers to and from Ron Serio's phone number, 09:46AM 22 correct? 09:46AM 23 Yes. Α. 09:46AM 24 Because this would have been run, you know, a month 09:46AM Q. 25 before the April date, is it fair to say this sort of 09:46AM

captures a further back date as far as what the calls were? 09:46AM 1 Does that make sense? 2 09:46AM I would have to go back and look at the date range again 09:46AM 4 to see how they match up, they're similar, but it, I mean, it 09:46AM has to be at least, so, in other words, there's the date of 09:46AM the report and then there's the date of the records. 09:46AM Okay. Q. 09:46AM You could run the report on multiple days without the 8 09:46AM 9 records changing, that's why the date range on right column 09:46AM 10 matters. 09:46AM So, that's right there. Yeah. 09:46AM 11 Okay. So, I guess what 12 I'm asking is --09:46AM 13 Well, no. Not that date range, the -- the -- that's the 09:46AM 14 date range that's queried. So basically, the query is run 09:46AM against all records for all time right, because it goes from 15 09:46AM 1980 to 2099. 16 09:47AM 17 09:47AM Q. Okay. The date of the records is -- can I mark the screen? 09:47AM 18 Α. 19 Q. Yes. 09:47AM 09:47AM 20 Α. It's this column. 21 Okay. So, what this is saying, glad you sort of cleared 09:47AM 22 this up because I might not have explained it well. 09:47AM 23 What it's saying is the report date here encompasses in 09:47AM

some fashion February 10th of 2013 to March 11th of 2013,

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- 1 A. Right. And so --
- 2 Q. And what does that date represent in terms of what this
- 3 report is showing?
- 4 A. That's the date range of the phone records.
- 5 | Q. Okay.

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- 6 A. That are available for the system to analyze.
- 7 Q. Right. So, what that means is, is it fair to say that
- 8 | that's what this report is operating off of that got back
- 9 | from the subpoena?
- 10 | A. Well --
- 11 | Q. I'm trying to find out the easiest way to explain this.
- 12 So when the report -- the subpoena goes out, and you get
- 13 | back the subscriber information and the calls, is that what
- 14 | this date column is representing?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 | Q. Is what was returned from the phone company as far as
- 17 | dates of activity?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. So, at this point in time, it's analyzing
- 20 | February 10th, 2013, to March 11th, 2013, correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- MR. MacKAY: Ms. Champoux, can we jump back two
- 23 | documents to this one I've marked up there, the 716830.
 - 24 BY MR. MacKAY:
 - 25 | Q. And this one, again, was the hot sheet that was run on

09:48AM April 19th, 2013, correct? 1 2 Α. Yes. 09:48AM Looks like in some places, in that same column the dates 3 09:48AM 09:48AM are about the same? They're similar. So, that that means that so, for 09:48AM example, in the first line for the number ending 0664, for 09:48AM Michael Masecchia, there are 37 contacts between the number 09:48AM that was queried and Michael Masecchia's number from 8 09:48AM 9 February 12th to March 11th. 09:49AM 10 But then when you see that date range change, it just 09:49AM means that the outside limits of when the contacts occurred 09:49AM 11 12 are different for the different numbers. 09:49AM 13 From what you can see in the date column here versus the 09:49AM 14 date column in last document we looked at, it looks like the 09:49AM records are all in the approximately February to March 15 09:49AM timeframe of 2013, correct? 16 09:49AM 17 Α. 09:49AM Yes. 09:49AM 18 Q. Okay. 19 MR. MacKAY: Okay. You can close that out, 09:49AM 09:49AM 20 Ms. Champoux. 21 Can we go to -- can we jump down two more to 09:49AM 22 Buttitta M rap sheet? 09:49AM 23 And just zoom out, thank you. 09:49AM 24 BY MR. MacKAY: 09:49AM

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                       Again, run by Mr. Bongiovanni, correct?
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                       Yes.
                       Run on April 19th, 2013, correct?
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                  Α.
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                       And it's being run for an individual named Michael
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                  Q.
                  Buttitta, correct?
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                       And again, this is the document that -- it's the return
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                  of a query to tell whether somebody has a criminal history or
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                  not, correct?
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                      And do you recall Michael Buttitta is a name that shows
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                  up in some of those subscriber and hot sheets that we've
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                  already gone through, correct?
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                       Okay. So, again, this represents, like, I think you said
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                  before, the next step of looking into the specific
                  individuals who might be identified as subscribers in one of
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                  these reports, correct?
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                            MR. MacKAY: You can close that out, Ms. Champoux.
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Can we pull up handwritten notes? Can we zoom out a

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little bit? 09:50AM 1 A little bit more so we can just capture it all. 2 09:50AM BY MR. MacKAY: 3 09:50AM 09:50AM Okay. And do you recall this handwritten sheet of notes being in the file? 09:50AM Yes. 09:50AM Α. Okay. And in your investigation, did you understand this 09:50AM to be a document written by Joseph Bongiovanni? 8 09:51AM I don't know who authored it. 09:51AM Α. 10 Okay. In your experience as a DEA agent, is it -- as a 09:51AM 09:51AM 11 TFO with the DEA, is it fair to say sometimes you get 12 information coming in from sources that you sit down and have 09:51AM 13 an interview with? 09:51AM 14 Yes. 09:51AM Α. 15 I mean, in common parlance, you sit down with 09:51AM Yeah. 16 somebody who's got information to give you, and you make 09:51AM notes of what they said, right? 17 09:51AM 09:51AM 18 Α. Yes. 09:51AM 19 And sometimes that's one of your confidential sources who 09:51AM 20 comes in with information, correct? 21 Α. Yes. 09:51AM 22 Sometimes you get sort of unsolicited tips and things off 09:51AM Q. 23 the street? 09:51AM 24 You could. 09:51AM Α.

Sometimes you get sources of information who want to walk

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in and tell you something, but don't want to really act as a 09:51AM 1 confidential source, correct? 2 09:51AM You could. Α. 09:51AM 09:51AM Okay. At least from what you can see in using your own experience, does this appear to be memorialization of some 09:51AM sort of notes that, you know, an agent may have made 09:52AM regarding an interview or discussion with somebody? 09:52AM I -- there's no way that I could say that, either way. 8 09:52AM 9 Okay. But you see a couple names that you recognize from 09:52AM Q. 10 the Wayne Anderson investigation on here, correct? 09:52AM 09:52AM 11 Α. I, yes. 12 Q. Who specifically do you see? 09:52AM 13 I see Ron Serio and Dave Oddo, those are the first two. 09:52AM 14 Okay. You see Tom Serio as well, too? 09:52AM 15 Α. I do. 09:52AM 16 Do you see right next to it, you see what says Creme 09:52AM 17 Beame? 09:52AM 09:52AM 18 Α. Yes. 19 Did you understand Tom Serio sometime in the 2012, 2013 09:52AM 09:52AM 20 timeframe to drive a white BMW? 21 Α. No. 09:52AM 22 Okay. Did you see the phone number below that? Q. 09:52AM 23 Α. Yes. 09:52AM

578 phone number, did you understand that to be a cell

phone number that associated with Tom Serio in your

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investigation? 09:52AM 1 I have to go back and look at records. 2 09:52AM 3 MR. MacKAY: Yeah if we -- Ms. Champoux, I've just 09:52AM 09:53AM 4 kind of marked a window up there, can we flip back to that document? 09:53AM BY MR. MacKAY: 09:53AM And we're looking at the 716-578-5296 document? Okay. 09:53AM Q. Okay. 8 Α. 09:53AM 9 So, do you understand that number that you saw in the 09:53AM Q. hand-written notes to be Tom Serio's cell phone number? 10 09:53AM 09:53AM 11 Α. Yes. 09:53AM 12 MR. Mackay: All right. Can we take that down, 09:53AM 13 Ms. Champoux? All right. 14 Can we go a few more down. Can we go to the Jeremie 09:53AM Jones misc pdf? Can we zoom out? 15 09:53AM 16 BY MR. MacKAY: 09:53AM 17 Now, Jeremie Jones was a name that you knew came up in 09:53AM the Wayne Anderson file, correct? 09:53AM 18 09:53AM 19 I mean, I only know about it because its in the file. 09:53AM 20 Would you recall reviewing the entire file and seeing a 21 DEA-202 for Jeremie Jones? 09:53AM 22 In the Anderson file? Α. 09:53AM 23 Q. Yes. 09:53AM

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I don't recall that.

Okay. Do you remember that there were two DEA-202 forms

for both Tom Serio and Ron Serio? 09:54AM 1 I do remember those. 2 Α. 09:54AM Those were the forms that put somebody in the file, 09:54AM 09:54AM correct? And then Wayne Anderson, I remember, Damian Abbate. 09:54AM And do you remember David Oddo? 09:54AM 0. Yes. Α. 09:54AM Okay. And do you remember about the same date there's 8 09:54AM Q. 9 also one for Jeremie Jones? 09:54AM 10 I, I don't recall Jeremie Jones, no. 09:54AM 09:54AM 11 Q. Okay. 09:54AM 12 MR. MacKAY: Ms. Champoux, can--13 BY MR. MacKAY: 09:54AM 14 Would it help to refresh your recollection to look at 09:54AM something from the file? 15 09:54AM 16 Yes. Α. 09:54AM 17 MR. MacKAY: Ms. Champoux, can we show Government 09:54AM Exhibit -- well, it's in evidence, can we show Government 09:54AM 18 09:54AM 19 Exhibit 8A at page 59? BY MR. MacKAY: 09:54AM 20 21 Can you see that clearly on your screen? 09:54AM Q. 22 Α. I can. 09:54AM 23 That's the, that's a 202 for Jeremie Jones, correct? Q. 09:54AM 24 It is. Α.

It looks like it was prepared on January 2nd, 2013?

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1 A. Yes.

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- 2 | Q. So, in your experience, the 202 is a document created by
- 3 | an agent to associate a name with a file, correct?
- 4 | A. Yes. And then the next page should have some remarks
- 5 | that explain the association.
- 6 Q. Okay. Now, I want to jump back to that document that we
- 7 | were at. The Jeremie Jones misc pdf. What it looks like
- 8 here, this looks like a mugshot, correct?
- 9 A. That looks like that, yes.
- 10 | MR. MacKAY: And can we go to the next page,
- 11 | Ms. Champoux?
- 12 BY MR. MacKAY:
- 13 | Q. And at the top, you see this looks like a -- the document
- 14 | that follows from page 2, that appears to be a booking sheet?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 | Q. Okay. And it looks like this booking sheet from what you
- 17 | can see from the upper right-hand corner was run -- was the
- 18 | report was run on January 2nd, 2013, at about 9:33 in the
- 19 | morning?
- 20 A. Could we zoom on that?
- 21 Q. Yeah. I'll clear that.
- 22 A. That's better, yes, January 2nd, 2013.
- 23 Q. And then that report is run by Joseph Palmieri, correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
 - 25 | Q. And from what you just looked at in Government

Exhibit 8A, that's the same day Jeremie Jones is entered in 09:55AM 1 the file, correct? 2 09:56AM Α. Yes. 09:56AM 09:56AM MR. MacKAY: Can we go to page 7 of this document, 09:56AM 5 please? BY MR. MacKAY: 09:56AM Okay. Now, this is a NADDIS record being run for the 09:56AM 8 same person, Jeremie Jones, correct? 09:56AM Yes. Α. 09:56AM 10 Okay. And just so the jury understands, we've heard 09:56AM about NADDIS before. Can you just explain what they just saw 09:56AM 11 12 with the booking report versus what a NADDIS report is? 09:56AM 13 The NADDIS records are DEA records. The booking report 09:56AM 14 was a Buffalo PD record. 09:56AM 15 So, the previous document we looked concerns some arrest 09:56AM 16 Jeremie Jones had with the Buffalo Police, correct? 09:56AM 17 09:56AM Α. Yes. But what we're looking at now on page 7 is the internal 09:56AM 18 19 DEA record for whether there's any prior investigations or 09:56AM 09:56AM 20 cases open with Jeremie Jones, correct? 21 Α. Yes. 09:56AM And if we look at the upper right-hand corner, this 22 09:56AM 23 NADDIS report is being run by Shane Nastoff, correct? 09:57AM

Yes, that's what it says.

And it's being run on December 30th, 2012?

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1 A. Yes.

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- 2 Q. Okay. So, you know, a couple days before you saw that,
- 3 | that 202 in Government Exhibit 8A, that enters him into the
- 4 | file, correct?
- $5 \mid A. \text{ Yes.}$
- 6 | Q. And you understood Shane Nastoff to be listed as the
- 7 | co-case agent on the Wayne Anderson file, correct?
- 8 A. I don't know that, I don't know that, no.
- 9 Q. Did you know Shane Nastoff, you know, to appear in the
- 10 | Wayne Anderson file on reports in some fashion?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- 12 | Q. Okay.
- 13 MR. MacKAY: Can we close that out, Ms. Champoux?
- 14 | Can we go to Masecchia M phone info?

15 BY MR. Mackay:

- 16 | Q. Again, so, first page of this is -- we're looking at is
- 17 | the subscriber information for, appears to be Michael
- 18 | Masecchia, correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 | Q. And again, it's circled at the top, Bongo, correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. So, this at least from what you can review from this
- 23 document seen in front of you, that suggests that this
- 24 | document is first produced to an intel analyst and then
- 25 | there's some handwriting on it intending to be passed to

Mr. Bongiovanni? 09:58AM 1 2 Α. Yes. 09:58AM Okay. Because in your, again, I think you told us before 09:58AM 09:58AM but in your experience, it's not uncommon for the subpoena returns to come back directly to the intel analyst, correct? 09:58AM Α. Yes. 09:58AM Because they can sort through that information and have 09:58AM the programs to analyze it, correct? 8 09:58AM 9 A. Everybody had access to that program. But, not everybody 09:58AM 10 did it the same way. 09:58AM Okay. Now, this is being run on --09:58AM 11 09:59AM 12 MR. Mackay: Can we go to the next page, 13 Ms. Champoux? Okay. Can we zoom in a little bit? 09:59AM 14 I'm sorry. 09:59AM 15 BY MR. MacKAY: 09:59AM 16 Okay. So, what are we seeing in front of us right now? 09:59AM 17 Somebody, I'm trying to see if it says who, it's a print 09:59AM screen from DARTS. 09:59AM 18 09:59AM 19 Q. Okay. So, what exactly is it that we're looking at, what 09:59AM 20 does that do? What does this screen do in terms of DEA 21 activity? 09:59AM 22 I'm not sure I understand the question. What does the 09:59AM 23 screen do? 09:59AM

Q. Yeah. So, I mean, we said it's a screen from DARTS, what

we've seen already are DARTS emails, correct?

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- 2 | Q. Those are the emails that get generated when there's an
- 3 | overlap, correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- $5 \mid Q$. Is this fair to say this is sort of the other end when a
- 6 | number is getting put into DARTS?
- 7 A. This, I think, is the subpoena return, because it has the
- 8 | link for view packages in the view print. It means that the
- 9 | subpoena, this -- this C2 number here, C2-13-581484, is the
- 10 | subpoena number.
- 11 The service provider it was sent to, case number, who
- 12 | prepared it, that means that the tolls or whatever was
- 13 | subpoenaed is ready for download.
- 14 | Q. Sure. I just I just want to walk through this, because
- 15 | it looks like a couple stages in a computer program that's
- 16 | being used. Because I think what you were referring to is
- 17 | this is the link you're talking about where it says view
- 18 | packages.
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. So, at the time in 2013, when agents or intel analysts
- 21 | are subpoenaing information from phone companies, they're not
- 22 | necessarily getting back physical paper records, correct?
- 23 | A. No. This subpoena was sent electronically and returned
- 24 electronically.
- 25 | Q. Right. That's what I'm getting towards, is the way

1 that -- in this case, Sprint Nextel Corporation produces the

records to DEA, is they send them some sort of electronic

- 3 | link, correct?
- 4 A. Yes.

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- 5 | Q. And the link, it appears from what we can see from this
- 6 | internet, internet explorer screenshot, it's sort of the link
- 7 | is opened directly in the DARTS program?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. So, again, just -- I know we're going through some
- 10 | of the steps a little bit slowly, but the subpoena goes out
- 11 | the door, correct?
- 12 A. Electronically in this case, yes.
- 13 Q. So, you would send, if you identified a number, you would
- 14 | subpoena Sprint Nextel by first preparing one of the actual
- 15 | subpoena papers that we've seen before, correct?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 | Q. Okay. Wait, so, I mean, you have to prepare the actual
- 18 | subpoena, correct?
- 19 A. In this case, no.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 | A. It's all done electronically.
- 22 | Q. Well, so, I know previously and I think the jury has seen
- 23 | what look to be like subpoenas, correct?
- 24 | A. Okay. I guess when you said paper, it's -- it was
- 25 different by service provider when I was there. So, there

10:02AM was some service providers where you actually had to print a 1 paper subpoena, and then submit it through some other means. 10:02AM 2 3 There's no paper subpoena, there might be a subpoena form 10:02AM 10:02AM 4 generated, but there's no paper subpoena that's ever 5 generated for Sprint at the time. 10:02AM Q. Yeah, okay. That's what I'm getting at. Is with some of 10:02AM the subpoenas, what you've got to do is actually prepare a 10:02AM physical piece of paper, and then send it out to whoever 8 10:02AM 9 you're subpoenaing, correct? 10:02AM 10 Yes. 10:02AM Α. But when you're dealing with some of these phone 10:02AM 11 12 companies, specifically Sprint Nextel, you go through the 10:02AM 13 DARTS -- the intel analyst or the agent goes through the 10:02AM 14 DARTS program and prepares some sort of form that goes out to 10:02AM Sprint Nextel? 10:02AM 15 16 We always go through DARTS. 10:02AM 17 Q. 10:02AM Yes. 10:02AM 18 I mean, whether you're sending a paper subpoena or an 19 electronic subpoena, DARTS prepares it either way. 10:02AM 10:02AM 20 Okay. So, that's sort of the portal to send it out to 21 the company, correct? Is that a fair way of characterizing 10:02AM 22 it? 10:02AM 23 That's one thing that it does. Α. 10:02AM 24 Okay. But yeah, so when you're dealing with subpoenas 10:03AM Q.

though, you're routing them all through this DARTS online

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- 10:03AM program, correct? 1 2 Α. Yes. 10:03AM And then the return, for somebody like Sprint Nextel, 10:03AM 10:03AM what you're saying is they send everything back through the DARTS program through that same portal, correct? 10:03AM That's correct. 10:03AM Α. And then what the return -- the subpoena return recipient 10:03AM Ο. gets is something that we're looking at in front of us, 8 10:03AM 9 correct? 10:03AM 10 Yes. 10:03AM Α. 10:03AM 11 This is basically a notification that says, hey, your 12 subpoena records are ready, click here, correct? 10:03AM 13 Yes. 10:03AM Α. 14 And then once this is, I presume, once you open this 10:03AM package, that's how the numbers that are associated get 15 10:03AM 16 loaded into DARTS? 10:03AM 17 10:03AM Α. No. So, how do the numbers -- so, walk us through how when 10:03AM 18 19 you get a subpoena return back, how the actual numbers get 10:03AM 10:03AM 20 into DARTS. 21 A. So at this point, just what I'm looking at this, the only 10:03AM
- 22 number that you can know for sure that's in DARTS is the 10:03AM 23 phone number here, 716-812-0664. Because you have to put it 10:04AM 24 into DARTS first before DARTS will let you generate a 10:04AM 25 subpoena, that's happened or you wouldn't have a return. 10:04AM

- 1 Whatever numbers are on this return, the way I would have
- 2 | done it, is put them in, take the return, get the return
- 3 | loaded into PenLink so that I could actually see the numbers
- 4 on the spreadsheet. And then you have to go from the PenLink
- 5 | spreadsheet back to the first page of DARTS, and put the
- 6 numbers in and start the process all over again.
- 7 Q. Okay. So, again, so we're just catching all of the steps
- 8 here, this 812-0664 number you understood that to be Michael
- 9 | Masecchia's phone number, correct?
- 10 | A. Yes.

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- 11 | Q. Okay. And what you're saying is that in order to get a
- 12 | subpoena for that number, you've first got to put that number
- 13 | into DARTS, correct?
- 14 | A. Yes.
- 15 | Q. You've got to generate the subpoena and send it out
- 16 | through DARTS, correct?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 | Q. And what you get back through DARTS is the subpoena
- 19 | return, correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. And that may have a bunch of further numbers that are
- 22 | associated with Mike Masecchia's number, correct?
- 23 | A. It's going to be his toll records and the subscriber
- 24 | information.
- 25 Q. Right. It's all, what you're gonna see is all the

- 10:05AM numbers that he's called or is calling, correct? 1 10:05AM 2 Α. Yes. And then what I think you jut told us is in order to put 10:05AM 10:05AM 4 those further numbers into DARTS, you then have to go through a separate step of inputting each one of those, correct? 10:05AM Α. Yes. 10:05AM Unless you were going through and subpoenaing each one of 10:05AM those numbers themselves, correct? 8 10:05AM 9 I mean, unless you had already subpoenaed it. Yes. 10:05AM Right. So like, again, I'll give you an example. 10 10:05AM get a random number back from this subpoena return. If you'd 10:05AM 11 12 never seen it before, it's not going to be in DARTS, correct? 10:05AM If I -- it could be. DARTS is going to tell me if it's 10:05AM 13 14 in DARTS or not. 10:05AM Q. Okay. And if it's not, if you're not going to separately 15 10:05AM 16 then subpoena that number, you'd have to manually input it 10:05AM 17 into DARTS, correct? 10:05AM 10:05AM 18 Α. Yes. 19 Right. So, I guess what I'm just trying to get at is 10:05AM 10:06AM 20 just because a number that goes out the door for a subpoena 21 and comes back with numbers on a return doesn't just 10:06AM 22 necessarily mean that all those numbers that are returned on 10:06AM 23 the subpoena return automatically go into DARTS; is that fair 10:06AM
 - 25 A. They do not.

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- Now on this one, the "prepared by" column 1 Okay. Okay. 10:06AM is Justin Borst, correct? 2 10:06AM Α. Yes. 10:06AM 10:06AM He's one of the intel analysts at the DEA at the time, 10:06AM correct? Yes. 10:06AM Α. So, what you see from this is, does it appear by the way 10:06AM he's getting -- by the way he's listed as the prepared by, 8 10:06AM 9 that indicates he prepared the subpoena to go out the door, 10:06AM 10 10:06AM correct? 10:06AM 11 Α. Yes. 12 And then, he would be the person who -- for whom the 10:06AM 13 subpoena is returned, correct? 10:06AM 14 Α. Yes. 10:06AM And that's what we're seeing here again, where he clicks 15 10:06AM 16 on the package, and it says view package, and that's how you 10:06AM 17 view the package, correct? 10:06AM 10:06AM 18 Α. Yes. 19 And then, we've gone through this with some of the 10:06AM 10:07AM 20 prior reports, but what you said happens sometimes is that 21 the analyst will then take the numbers that come in from the 10:07AM 22 subpoena return, run it through this PenLink program, and you 10:07AM 23 get the reports that we've already seen, correct? 10:07AM
 - 24 A. Yes.

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25 Q. And then those reports in your experience, the intel

10:07AM analysts sometimes print out label by the case number and 1 agent and then give it to the agent, correct? 2 10:07AM Α. Yes. 10:07AM 10:07AM Okay. I think we've got all steps of the process now. 5 MR. MacKAY: All right. Can we close this one out 10:07AM 6 Ms. Champoux? 10:07AM Can we jump down two more to Mettal docs? 10:07AM BY MR. MacKAY: 8 10:07AM 9 First page, again, looks like one of those subscriber 10:07AM 10 returns, correct? 10:07AM 10:07AM 11 Α. Yes. 12 Again, it's labeled by what you know to be an intel 10:07AM 13 analyst directing it to Mr. Bongiovanni, from what you can 10:07AM 14 see, correct? 10:07AM 15 Α. Yes. 10:07AM 16 Return an address in Kew Garden Hills, correct? 10:07AM Q. 17 No, New Gar -- no, it is Kew Garden Hills, yes. 10:07AM Α. 10:08AM 18 And do you understand that to be a municipality in 19 downstate near New York City? 10:08AM 10:08AM 20 Α. I don't know where it is. 21 But it's got the 11367 zip code? 10:08AM Q. 22 It does. Α. 10:08AM 23 MR. MacKAY: Let's go to the next page, Ms. Champoux. 10:08AM BY MR. MacKAY: 24 10:08AM 25 Okay. Looking at the top here, this again, this is a hot 10:08AM

sheet, correct? 1 10:08AM 2 Α. Yes. 10:08AM So, what we're looking at again, is one of these reports 10:08AM 10:08AM that shows how many times certain numbers call or were called by the target number, correct? 10:08AM Α. Yes. 10:08AM And again, it's organized by most to least, correct? 10:08AM Q. 8 Α. Yes. 10:08AM 9 And we know that the number that's being targeted is that 10:08AM Q. 10 516 number, correct? 10:08AM 10:08AM 11 Α. Yes. 12 And this is being run on August 26th of 2013, correct? 10:08AM Q. 13 Yes. 10:08AM Α. 14 Okay. Now, do you recall in your review of the Wayne 10:08AM 15 Anderson file the Robert Mettal name coming up? 10:08AM 16 Yes. Α. 10:09AM 17 10:09AM And do you remember that -- and do you recall that being 10:09AM 18 a name that the confidential source R.K. indicates he may be 10:09AM 19 able to contact about purchases of narcotics? 10:09AM 20 I would need to review that report to be certain. 21 Okay. But he was a name that had come up in the file, 10:09AM Q. 22 correct? 10:09AM 23 Α. Yes. 10:09AM

All right. So, do you recall what Mr. R.K.'s phone

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10:09AM	1	A. No.
10:09AM	2	MR. MacKAY: Okay. Ms. Champoux we can't do side by
10:09AM	3	side with this document, can we?
10:09AM	4	MS. CHAMPOUX: No.
10:09AM	5	MR. MacKAY: Okay. Can we pull up Government Exhibit
10:09AM	6	9E at page 5? Okay. Can we zoom in on block 20?
10:09AM	7	BY MR. MacKAY:
10:10AM	8	Q. And while we've got part of the screen blown up, do you
10:10AM	9	understand this to be the CS establishment form for R.K.?
10:10AM	10	A. I'm looking for the name to make sure I'm looking at
10:10AM	11	right one.
10:10AM	12	Q. Yeah.
10:10AM	13	MR. MacKAY: Ms. Champoux
10:10AM	14	THE CLERK: I'm sorry, is this in evidence?
10:10AM	15	MR. MacKAY: Yes.
10:10AM	16	THE CLERK: Is it 9-E, as in Edward?
10:10AM	17	MR. MacKAY: Is it shown for the jury as well, too?
10:10AM	18	THE CLERK: It is now.
10:10AM	19	THE WITNESS: I see it, yes, it's for R.K.
10:10AM	20	BY MR. MacKAY:
10:10AM	21	Q. So so, this was the CS establishment form for R.K. We
10:10AM	22	can un-minimize it. And going back to block 20, do you see
10:10AM	23	the phone number that's associated with him?
10:10AM	24	A. I do.
10:10AM	25	Q. It's 716-935-0252?
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Yes. 1 Α. 10:10AM MR. MacKAY: Can we take this down, Ms. Champoux. 2 10:10AM 3 Can we go back to the Mettal document? 10:10AM 10:10AM Can you control F, search for that same number, 5 935-0252. Okay. 10:11AM 6 It's not OCR, so let's do it this way. Can we scroll 10:11AM down -- go down to the next page, Ms. Champoux, please? 10:11AM 8 more page, please. One more page. 10:11AM BY MR. MacKAY: 9 10:11AM 10 Okay. Do you see where I'm indicating? 10:11AM 10:11AM 11 Α. Yes. 12 Q. Do you see that's R.K.'s number there? 10:11AM 13 Yes. Row 95. 10:11AM Α. 14 Okay. And from what you can see from this report, it 10:11AM looks like there are three telephone calls with Robert 15 10:11AM 16 Mettal, correct? 10:11AM 17 Α. Yes. 10:11AM And we know that happens, from what you can see from the 10:11AM 18 10:12AM 19 report, sorry, not very accurate with these marks, we can see 10:12AM 20 that the date range in the report is May 17th, 2013 to 21 May 17th, 2013, correct? 10:12AM Yes. 22 Α. 10:12AM 23 So, it looks, again, interpreting what that third column 10:12AM 24 means, it looks like the only, so, when this -- this list was 10:12AM

run, the only information about R.K.'s phone number connected

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to Mr. Mettal's phone number is limited to that one date on 1 10:12AM May 17th, correct? 2 10:12AM Yes. 10:12AM Α. It's all the records that were returned, correct? 10:12AM all the information -- it's all the information that's being 10:12AM 10:12AM returned about that phone number between that date, correct? Available in that particular case on -- in PenLink on 10:12AM 8 that day, yes. 10:12AM 9 Q. Right. So, so, again, what this line indicates is that 10:12AM 10 there appear to be three calls between R.K. and Robert Mettal 10:13AM on May 17th, 2013, correct? 10:13AM 11 12 Yes. 10:13AM 13 Okay. And in your experience with these lists, you can't 10:13AM 14 tell if the calls were connected or not, correct? 10:13AM A. Not from this list, you would need to look at the actual 15 10:13AM 16 returned records. 10:13AM 17 10:13AM Q. Okay. But at least this indicates that there's some 10:13AM 18 attempted contact or contact between those two phone numbers 19 on that specific date, correct? 10:13AM 10:13AM 20 Α. Yes. 21 MR. MacKAY: You can take that down, Ms. Champoux. 10:13AM Can we go to two down, Moynihan M, phone info. 22 10:13AM 23 BY MR. MacKAY: 10:13AM 24 Again, this is another one of those subscriber returns, 10:13AM

and it's for the individual named Michael Moynihan, correct?

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10:13AM Yes. 1 Α. Again, it's associated with the Wayne Anderson file 2 10:13AM number, correct? 10:14AM 10:14AM Α. Yes. And like prior versions of this document we've seen, it's 10:14AM got Mr. Bongiovanni's name on the top of the subscriber 10:14AM information return and handwriting? 10:14AM 8 His nickname, yes. 10:14AM Α. 9 Yeah. And as you've said, you indicate this generally 10:14AM Q. 10 means to you that it's an intel analyst providing this 10:14AM document to Mr. Bongiovanni, correct? 10:14AM 11 12 Yes. 10:14AM 13 Q. Okay. 10:14AM 14 MR. Mackay: Let's go to the next page. 10:14AM BY MR. MacKAY: 15 10:14AM 16 Again, we went through this before with Michael 10:14AM 17 Masecchia, but this is one of these same things, it's a 10:14AM subpoena return package for the number for Michael Moynihan, 10:14AM 18 10:14AM 19 correct? 10:14AM 20 Α. Yes. 21 Again, prepared by Justin Borst the intel analyst, 10:14AM 22 correct? 10:14AM 23 Yes. Α. 10:14AM 24 And it looks like the prepared date was April 19th, 2013, 10:14AM

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Yes. 1 Α. 10:14AM Now, in your experience, when numbers are subpoenaed back 2 10:14AM around this point in time and they're done solely through 3 10:15AM 10:15AM 4 this DARTS system and it's all electronic subpoena and return, approximately how long do you remember it took to 10:15AM actually get the return back? 10:15AM So, my experience with it is later, just for 10:15AM clarification, but similar, it could be relatively quick. 8 10:15AM 9 Sprint may be a day to a week on the long end. And that 10:15AM 10 wouldn't happen very often. 10:15AM 10:15AM 11 Q. Okay. Okay. Can we go to the -- so, it looks like from 12 what we can see here the prepared date is April 19th, 2013, 10:15AM 13 correct? 10:15AM 14 Α. Yes. 10:15AM 15 MR. Mackay: Let's go to the next page. 10:15AM 16 BY MR. MacKAY: 10:15AM 17 Okay. And then, again, we see one of these hot sheet 10:15AM 10:15AM 18 produced again? 10:15AM 19 Α. Yes. This one is April 24th, 2013, correct? 10:15AM 20 Q. 21 Yes, it is. 10:16AM Α. 22 So, based on what you saw on the prior page, it looks 10:16AM Q. 23 like subpoenas prepared on the 19th and then by the 24th, 10:16AM 24 there's enough information back to run one of these hot 10:16AM

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- 2 | Q. And there what you can see based on the dialed name
- 3 | column that a lot of those are no subscribers. Do you
 - 4 | understand that to be sort of as you explained, an early step
- 5 | in an investigation with this number?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 | Q. Because at this point, there's no subscribers identified
- 8 | with any of the numbers that are calling or being called by
- 9 | Mike Moynihan's phone, correct?
- 10 A. Well, there's -- I see at least one. You'd have to
- 11 | scroll through the rest of the document to know how many, but
- 12 | there aren't many.
- 13 Q. Okay. So, again, in your experience this is generally
- 14 | early on in an investigation because from what you can see,
- 15 | there's not a lot of information available yet for this
- 16 | report, correct?
- 17 A. At least from this page, yes.
- 18 | Q. Okay.
- 19 MR. Mackay: Can we zoom out and scroll down a little
- 20 | bit, Ms. Champoux? I want to catch a little more of the page.
- 21 | Okay.
- 22 BY MR. MacKAY:
- 23 | Q. I mean, like you said, you do see some names that are
- 24 | already identified, correct?
- 25 A. I see two on this page.

10:17AM Do you actually see three? 1 Oh, I'm sorry, I was looking in the address column. 2 10:17AM Α. I see three. 10:17AM 10:17AM So, Tom Serio and Chris Baker, correct? Yes. And Robert Rine. 10:17AM Yeah. Now, Robert Rine, did you understand his name to 10:17AM Q. have some significance around the time Ron Serio was 10:17AM 8 arrested? 10:17AM That's not the thing that I remember the most Some. 10:17AM Α. 10 about Robert Rine though, no. 10:17AM Q. Okay. What do you remember about Robert Rine? 10:17AM 11 12 MR. TRIPI: Objection, hearsay. Any awareness would 10:17AM 13 come through hearsay from a witness who has yet to testify in 10:18AM 14 this trial. 10:18AM 15 THE COURT: No, I disagree with that, it could come 10:18AM 16 from reviewing a file, it could come from a lot of different 10:18AM 17 10:18AM things. BY MR. MacKAY: 10:18AM 18 19 Q. Yeah, I mean, if you know, what do you recall about 10:18AM 10:18AM 20 Robert Rine? 21 MR. TRIPI: Judge, same objection. Unless he's going 10:18AM to ask him if you reviewed that name in the file, same 22 10:18AM 23 objection. Then it's going to come from hearsay. 10:18AM

THE COURT: Overruled.

THE WITNESS: My awareness is from an interview of

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another person. 1 10:18AM BY MR. MacKAY: 2 10:18AM Was that Ron Serio? 10:18AM 10:18AM Α. Yes. Okay. So, we'll leave that at this point for now. 10:18AM Q. But back to this hot sheet. What it shows is that this 10:18AM Mike Moynihan individual appears to be in contact with Tom 10:18AM Serio and Chris Baker, correct? 8 10:18AM A. Yes. 10:18AM 10 MR. MacKAY: Can we go to the next page of this 10:18AM 10:18AM 11 Ms. Champoux? 12 BY MR. MacKAY: 10:18AM 13 Q. Again, the second page has a couple -- it's fair to say 10:18AM 14 it's mostly no subscribers, but there looks like there's 10:19AM three names that are identified? 15 10:19AM 16 Yes. Α. 10:19AM 17 And that's Mark Falzone, Michael Buttitta, and it's Chris 10:19AM Q. Baker again, correct? 10:19AM 18 10:19AM 19 Α. Yes. 10:19AM 20 Q. And again, those are names that you recall seeing on 21 Government Exhibit 100E-1, the handwritten note? 10:19AM 22 Yes. Α. 10:19AM 23 MR. MacKAY: All right. Can we take this document 10:19AM 24 down, Ms. Champoux? 10:19AM 25 Can we pull up Oddo NADDIS record? 10:19AM

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10:19AM	1	BY MR. MacKAY:
10:19AM	2	Q. Okay. Similar to the Jeremie Jones documents, it appears
10:19AM	3	to be a mugshot of David Oddo?
10:19AM	4	A. Yes.
10:19AM	5	MR. MacKAY: Can we go to the next page,
10:19AM	6	Ms. Champoux?
10:19AM	7	BY MR. MacKAY:
10:19AM	8	Q. Okay. Up at the top, if you can see it, do you see the
10:19AM	9	date it was run?
10:19AM	10	A. July 2nd, 2012.
10:20AM	11	Q. It's being run by Shane Nastoff, correct?
10:20AM	12	A. Yes.
10:20AM	13	Q. Okay. And this is back then in the summer of 2012 before
10:20AM	14	the Wayne Anderson file was opened, correct?
10:20AM	15	A. Yes.
10:20AM	16	Q. Okay.
10:20AM	17	MR. MacKAY: All right. Can we take that down,
10:20AM	18	Ms. Champoux?
10:20AM	19	Actually, I'm sorry, can we leave that up one more
10:20AM	20	time?
10:20AM	21	BY MR. MacKAY:
10:20AM	22	Q. Now, at the bottom of this page, do you see there's an
10:20AM	23	associated case number?
10:20AM	24	A. Yes.
10:20AM	25	Q. And the file title appears to be Fred Weir?

1 A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. Do you recall that name coming up in some of the
- 3 | hot sheets that we've looked at before?
- 4 A. I remember seeing it in the file, yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. And that indicates, we talked about NADDIS records
- 6 | a little bit, but what that entry indicates is the DEA had a
- 7 | file on Fred Weir at some point in time in the past before
- 8 | this report was run, correct?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 MR. MacKAY: All right. Can we take this down
- 11 | Ms. Champoux? Can we pull up two more down, its Robert Mettal
- 12 misc. Zoom out, please.
- 13 BY MR. MacKAY:
- 14 | Q. Similar to both Oddo and Jeremie Jones, this appears to
- 15 | be a mugshot of Robert Mettal, correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. It looks like there's even a phone number associated with
- 18 | it, correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 | Q. Okay. And you recall, you recall seeing that number in
- 21 one of the Robert Mettal subpoena documents that we looked at
- 22 | before?
- 23 A. I remember a 516 number, yes.
- 24 MR. MacKAY: Okay. Go to the next page,
- 10:21AM 25 | Ms. Champoux, please?

BY MR. MacKAY: 10:21AM 1 2 Q. Again, we did this with Jeremie Jones, but again, what 10:21AM 3 we're looking at right now is a Buffalo Police Department 10:21AM 10:21AM 4 booking sheet. So, that would indicate something associated with an arrest Robert Mettal had by Buffalo police? 10:21AM Α. Yes. 10:21AM Okay. And this report, if you look at the upper 10:21AM right-hand corner, appears to be run by Joseph Palmieri? 8 10:21AM 9 A. Yes. But could we zoom on that, please? Or just make 10:21AM 10 the document larger? Thank you. 10:22AM Joseph Palmieri. 10:22AM 11 Yes. 12 And the report dates May 6th, 2013, correct? 10:22AM 13 Yes. 10:22AM Α. 14 So, pulling booking data sheets, that's an investigative 10:22AM procedure DEA agents do from time to time, correct? 15 10:22AM 16 Background checks like this, yes. 10:22AM Q. Yes. So, that's what I'm asking, this is part of a 17 10:22AM background check into a specific individual, correct? 10:22AM 18 10:22AM 19 Α. Yes. 10:22AM 20 And do you recall that some of the documents we've shown 21 that identify Mr. Phone -- Mr. Mettal's phone activity, those 10:22AM 22 were in 2013, correct? 10:22AM 23 Yes. Α. 10:22AM

MR. MacKAY: All right. Can we take that down,

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Okay.

Ms. Champoux? Can we go to Serio real property recs? 10:22AM 1 Okay. Can we zoom out a little bit? 2 10:23AM 3 BY MR. MacKAY: 10:22AM And can you see at the bottom there's a date of 10:23AM May 22nd, 2013? 10:23AM 10:23AM Α. Yes. So, this is occurring kind of around the same time in May 10:23AM of 2013 from the document we just looked at, correct? 8 10:23AM Yes. 10:23AM Α. 10 And this is, you know, again, we're all, fair to say that 10:23AM most of the documents that we've been looking at so far, they 10:23AM 11 12 reflect activity occurring in March, April, and May of 2013? 10:23AM 13 Yes. 10:23AM Α. 14 Okay. And what does this appear to be to you? 10:23AM It's from -- looks like it's from Google Maps. 15 10:23AM 16 Somebody's looking at something on an internet browser and 10:23AM printed part of page 2 or all of page 2 of a three-page 17 10:23AM 18 10:23AM document. 19 Do you understand, do you understand from the file 10:23AM 10:23AM 20 from your review of the Wayne Anderson file, any of these 21 addresses to have any connection to Ron Serio? 10:24AM I see 467 and 469 Tacoma. 22 Α. 10:24AM 23 Okay. And do you recall from your review of the file the Q. 10:24AM 24 132 Rhode Island --10:24AM

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-- address having some investigative activity associated 10:24AM 1 with it? 2 10:24AM 3 MR. TRIPI: Objection. 10:24AM 4 THE COURT: What's the basis for that? 10:24AM 602, investigative activity in the file 10:24AM 5 MR. TRIPI: 6 from this. 10:24AM From this, no, he's not asking that, he's THE COURT: 10:24AM asking whether there was activity in the file shown with 8 10:24AM 9 respect to this address. What's wrong with that? 10:24AM 10 MR. TRIPI: I'll withdraw it. Sorry. 10:24AM 10:24AM 11 THE WITNESS: The picture. But I'm unaware of 12 anything else. 10:24AM 13 BY MR. MacKAY: 10:24AM 14 Okay. And specifically on this document, we see 132 10:24AM Rhode Island circled and highlighted, correct? 15 10:24AM 16 It is. Α. 10:24AM 17 And it looks like somebody wrote in a date of 10:24AM Q. October 12th, 2012, correct? 10:25AM 18 19 Α. Yes. 10:25AM 10:25AM 20 So, and that's a date prior to the Wayne Anderson file 21 having been opened, correct? 10:25AM 22 Α. Yes. 10:25AM 23 So, I mean, just at least from what you can see here, Q. 10:25AM 24 that there's some focus on 132 Rhode Island, the address of 10:25AM 25 132 Rhode Island before the Wayne Anderson file is ever even 10:25AM

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                            MR. TRIPI:
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                            THE COURT:
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                  question.
                            BY MR. MacKAY:
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                  Q. But in any event, the October date that's listed here,
                  that's at least several weeks before Wayne Anderson, that
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                  file was opened, correct?
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                  3rd, or whatever it is, so I have no idea what it means.
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                  Q. Right. So, I mean, the number, the date at the bottom,
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                  do you understand that to be a date that the report is run?
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                  browser like I said was done in May of 2013.
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                  Q. Right. So, what you can see from the report. It looks
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                  like this is a page printed out where the report is run on
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                  May 22nd of 2013, correct?
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                      And then somebody is circling the 132 Rhode Island Street
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                  and writing a date of 10/12/2012 there, correct?
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                            MR. Mackay: And you can take that down,
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- Ms. Champoux. And can we pull up -- it's T.S. rap sheet. 10:26AM 1 Or S.T. rap sheet. 2 10:26AM 3 BY MR. MacKAY: 10:26AM 4 Again, the T.S. name, that's a name you saw within 10:26AM the Wayne Anderson file, correct? 10:26AM 10:26AM Α. Yes. And you -- do you recall him having some association in 10:26AM some fashion with R.K., the confidential source? 8 10:26AM 9 Yes. Α. 10:26AM 10 Okay. Again, this is a triple I check record done by 10:26AM Mr. Bongiovanni on April 19 of 2013, correct? 10:26AM 11 12 Α. Yes. 10:27AM And do you recall that April 19, 2013 date being the same 13 10:27AM 14 date as one of the hot sheets that was run for Ron Serio's 10:27AM cell phone number? 15 10:27AM 16 Yes. Α. 10:27AM 17 So it appears at least from what you can see from the 10:27AM records that Tom Serio's number's appearing in a hot sheet 10:27AM 18 19 for Ron Serio on the same date that Mr. Bongiovanni is 10:27AM 10:27AM 20 running Mr. T.S.'s name to see if there's a -- any criminal 21 history for Mr. T.S.? 10:27AM I think you said Tom Serio's number and then --22 Α. 10:27AM 23 I might have misspoken. Q. 10:27AM
- 10:27AM 24 A. -- Mr. T.S.'s name. Which one do you mean?
 - 25 Q. Yeah, I'm sorry, I misspoke there.

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    same date T.S.'s name is showing up in a hot sheet for Ron
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    Serio's number, Mr. Bongiovanni appears to be running a
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    report to see if Mr. T.S. has any criminal history, correct?
        Yes.
              THE COURT: Mr. MacKay, do you have a sense of how
    much longer you're going to be?
             MR. MacKAY: 45 minutes.
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             THE COURT: Okay. So let's take a break, folks.
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              Remember my instructions about not talking about the
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    case, even with each other, and not making up your minds.
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              See you back here in about ten or 15 minutes.
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              (Jury excused at 10:28 a.m.)
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                         Okay. Anything for the record before we
              THE COURT:
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    break, Mr. MacKay?
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             MR. MacKAY: No, Your Honor.
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                          Mr. Tripi.
                          No, thank you, Judge.
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             MR. TRIPI:
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              THE COURT:
                          Okay, see you in a few minutes.
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             THE CLERK:
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              (Off the record at 10:29 a.m.)
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              (Back on the record at 10:48 a.m.)
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              (Jury not present.)
                         All rise.
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              THE CLERK:
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                         Please be seated.
             THE COURT:
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10:48AM	1	THE CLERK: We are back on the record for the
10:48AM	2	continuation of the jury trial in case number 19-cr-227,
10:48AM	3	United States of America versus Joseph Bongiovanni.
10:48AM	4	All counsel and parties are present.
10:48AM	5	THE COURT: Ready to go?
10:48AM	6	MR. MacKAY: I am.
10:48AM	7	THE COURT: Anything?
10:48AM	8	MR. TRIPI: No.
10:48AM	9	THE COURT: Let's bring them in, please. Let's get
10:48AM	10	the witness in, too.
10:49AM	11	MR. MacKAY: Judge, I think I'm well more than
10:49AM	12	halfway done. I'm just having trouble estimating time.
10:49AM	13	THE COURT: No, no, no, look it, I understand.
10:50AM	14	(Witness and Jury seated at 10:50 a.m.)
10:50AM	15	THE COURT: The report will reflect that all our
10:50AM	16	jurors, again, are present.
10:50AM	17	I remind the witness he's still under oath.
10:50AM	18	And, Mr. MacKay, you may continue.
10:50AM	19	BY MR. MacKAY:
10:50AM	20	Q. Agent Ryan, before I continue, I want to go back and
10:50AM	21	clarify something we were talking about and make sure I'm
10:50AM	22	clear on it.
10:50AM	23	MR. MacKAY: Ms. Champoux, can we go back to the
10:50AM	24	Government Exhibit 100A.1, and can we pull up the C Baker toll
10:50AM	25	analysis?

BY MR. MacKAY: 10:50AM 1 2 Q. Okay. We looked at this before. This was a subpoena 10:50AM 3 return you understood for Chris Baker, correct? 10:50AM 10:50AM It's -- this is not the actual return, this is the information loaded into PenLink, I think. 10:50AM Q. Okay. And then the phone number, the 830-3226 number, 10:50AM you understood that to be associated with Ron Serio? 10:51AM I don't remember the phone number from the case. 8 10:51AM 9 remember without looking at records. 10:51AM 10 10:51AM Q. Okay. 10:51AM 11 If it's -- I mean, according to this, it's Chris Baker. 12 I need to look at something else to see if there's another 10:51AM 13 record that associates it's Ron Serio. 10:51AM 14 Okay. But what I want to --10:51AM 15 MR. MacKAY: Can we go to page 2 again. All right. 10:51AM 16 BY MR. MacKAY: 10:51AM 17 So, I just want to focus in on something I think you told 10:51AM 18 us earlier. This was a hot sheet, and this is one of the 10:51AM 19 ones that has primarily no subscribers on it, correct? 10:51AM 10:51AM 20 Right, it's mostly no subscribers. 21 Right. Meaning that there's no subscriber information 10:51AM 22 known for the phone numbers, correct? 10:51AM 23 For the ones that say no subscriber, that's correct. 10:51AM 24 Right. And so what it means is if you've got an entry 10:51AM Q.

like this, indicating line 7 where it says Tom Serio is, you

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know, in the -- instead of no subscriber, that means -- am I 10:51AM 1 understanding it to mean that Tom Serio's number is already 2 10:52AM in the DARTS system? 10:52AM 10:52AM This is separate from DARTS. Okay. 10:52AM Q. So, DARTS deconflicts telephone numbers and generates 10:52AM subpoenas. Very generally, right. 10:52AM Q. Yeah. Why would Tom Serio's name already be in one of 8 10:52AM 9 these hot sheet lists rather than one with no subscriber? 10:52AM 10 A. Because there was a previous subpoena return for that 10:52AM phone, that 561 phone number, that's been you uploaded to 10:52AM 11 12 this set of data in PenLink. 10:52AM 13 Q. Okay. So, if you see no subscriber in one of these 10:52AM 14 reports, it means there's never been a subpoena to that 10:52AM number before? 15 10:52AM 16 No. Α. 10:52AM 17 What does it mean then? Or did you say no, as in there's 10:52AM Q. 10:52AM 18 never been a subpoena? 19 A. I'm saying it doesn't necessarily mean that, because 10:52AM 10:52AM 20 you're talking about two different -- two different 21 databases. 10:52AM 22 So PenLink is small, local. It only has what, you know, 10:52AM 23 what you put in it. 10:53AM 24 If my recollection is correct, even the data within 10:53AM

PenLink is separated by cases. So, I mean, so you were

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asking about a phone number that says no subscriber, right? 10:53AM 1 2 Q. Right. 10:53AM It could be identified -- I think I'm correct about this, 10:53AM 10:53AM it could be identified in 15 other cases in PenLink, but it's not identified in this one. 10:53AM Okay. 10:53AM Q. But if it's -- once it goes into DARTS, it's in DARTS. 10:53AM Α. Okay. So in your experience, when an agent receives one 8 10:53AM Q. 9 of those hot lists and sees no subscriber, that's generally 10:53AM an indication that they're going to need to subpoena that 10 10:53AM 10:53AM 11 number to get the information and to find out who the 12 subscriber is? 10:53AM 13 Α. Yes. 10:53AM 14 MR. MacKAY: So can we go to the next page of this 10:53AM 15 document? 10:53AM 16 BY MR. MacKAY: 10:53AM 17 There up at the top, the 812-0664 number, 10:53AM All right. 10:53AM 18 that you recall to be Michael Masecchia's number? 19 I think that's correct. 10:53AM 10:54AM 20 So in this column we see that it's no subscriber, 21 correct? 10:54AM 22 Α. Yes. 10:54AM 23 So, that means to you that within the context of a 10:54AM 24 PenLink, Michael Masecchia's name and number have never been 10:54AM

associated there before? That's what I'm trying to

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understand. 10:54AM 1 In this data set. 2 Α. 10:54AM Okay. 10:54AM Q. 10:54AM It's my recollection that PenLink is the data sets were 5 10:54AM unique by case. So each time you started a case, you were starting from scratch in PenLink to build a new data set. 10:54AM Q. Okay. And then I think we did this before, but this hot 10:54AM sheet's run on March 19, 2013, correct? 8 10:54AM Yes. Α. 10:54AM 10 10:54AM Q. Okay. 10:54AM 11 MR. MacKAY: Ms. Champoux, can you pull up Government 10:54AM 12 Exhibit 8A, page 348. 13 BY MR. MacKAY: 10:54AM 14 Okay. And this appears to be a subpoena cover letter for 10:54AM a subpoena that's generated in connection with the Wayne 15 10:54AM 16 Anderson case, correct? 10:55AM 17 It looks like it's from Sprint to Justin Borst in 10:55AM connection with the Wayne Anderson case. 10:55AM 18 10:55AM 19 Okay. So it's the subpoena -- it's the return side of 10:55AM 20 the subpoena, correct? 21 Α. Yes. 10:55AM 22 And that's coming back on March 20th, 2013? 10:55AM Q. 23 Α. Yes. 10:55AM

MR. MacKAY: And then can we go to the next page,

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please, Ms. Champoux. 10:55AM 1 BY MR. MacKAY: 2 10:55AM And it looks like it's that same 812-0664 number, 10:55AM 10:55AM correct? 10:55AM Α. Yes. So what this is telling you, at least looking at the 10:55AM records, is that Justin Borst is getting back a subpoena 10:55AM 8 return regarding this number on -- or at least it was -- the 10:55AM 9 return was sent from Sprint on March 20th, 2013, correct? 10:55AM 10 Yes. 10:55AM Α. 10:55AM 11 And then what we just looked at over in the Government 12 Exhibit 100A.1 file, when the report had been run on 10:55AM 13 March 19th, 2013 there was no name associated with that 10:55AM 14 812-0664 number at that time, correct? 10:55AM In the PenLink. 15 Α. 10:56AM 16 In PenLink. Q. 10:56AM 17 10:56AM So at least from what you can see from the documents, it looks like following the PenLink or around the same time, I'm 10:56AM 18 19 sorry, following the generation of a hot sheet, Justin Borst 10:56AM sent out a subpoena for that 812-0664 number? 10:56AM 20 21 Yes. 10:56AM Α. 22 And you know it was Justin Borst because it indicates he 10:56AM Q. 23 was the individual to receive the return, correct? 10:56AM

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All right.

1 MR. MacKAY: You can take that down, Ms. Champoux. 10:56AM Can we go to the Tripi OCDETF proposal in Government 2 10:56AM Exhibit 100A.1. 3 10:56AM 10:56AM BY MR. MacKAY: 5 Okay. And you went through this document quite a bit on 10:56AM direct; do you remember that? 10:57AM I do. Α. 10:57AM This is what you understand to be a draft OCDETF proposal 8 10:57AM 9 regarding Operation Past Due, correct? 10:57AM 10 Yes. 10:57AM Α. 10:57AM 11 Now, based on some of the names that are here, you see 12 Special Agent Dave Turri of the IRS, correct? 10:57AM 13 Α. I do. 10:57AM 14 TFA Chris Clark, he's with the DEA, correct? 10:57AM Q. 15 Α. Yes. 10:57AM 16 And then Tim Lynch who is with the U.S. Attorney's 10:57AM Q. 17 Office, correct? 10:57AM 10:57AM 18 Α. Yes. 10:57AM 19 Now, two of those three names, Dave Turri and Tim Lynch, 10:57AM 20 you understood from the review of the file to be associated 21 with the Wayne Anderson case, correct? 10:57AM 22 Yes. Α. 10:57AM 23 MR. MacKAY: Can we scroll down to page 6. 10:57AM BY MR. MacKAY: 24 10:57AM 25 Now, in this box for Section 8, it looks like there's --10:57AM

it's indicating in some fashion that intel analyst Steve 10:57AM 1 Bevilacqua is going to be involved in this operation? 2 10:58AM It looks like he's identified as having sent information 10:58AM 10:58AM to SOD already. What does that mean? 10:58AM Well, it says communication devices previously submitted 10:58AM Yes. And then submitted by, and it says I.A. to SOD. 10:58AM 8 Stephen Bevilacqua. 10:58AM 9 Q. Okay. So, is it fair to say from this part of the record 10:58AM Stephen Bevilacqua is intended to have some interaction with 10 10:58AM the OCDETF operations being drafted? 10:58AM 11 12 Or he had already done something in support of it, yes. 10:58AM Yeah. 13 I guess that's what I'm asking. Him showing up 10:58AM 14 here shows he's done some work or might do some work if this 10:58AM project gets off the ground, correct? 15 10:58AM 16 A. Well, I don't know if I agree with gets off the ground. 10:58AM 17 It's not really at that stage. Right, if this operation is 10:58AM 18 10:59AM approved, there was a case that was already going. 19 Q. Okay. And it looks like this is being generated on or 10:59AM about March 13th of 2013, from what you can see? 10:59AM 20 21 It looks like that's that he made the submission to SOD. 10:59AM 22 Okay. And do you understand from your review of the 10:59AM 23 file, of your review of the Wayne Anderson file, that Stephen 10:59AM

Bevilacqua had performed some work in connection with the

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- 1 A. I think he had, yes.
 - 2 Q. All right. And we've talked about the name Justin Borst,
 - 3 he's also an -- Stephen Bevilacqua is also an intel analyst
 - 4 | at the time at the DEA, correct?
 - 5 A. I think so. I wasn't there then, but I think he was
 - 6 there then.

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7 | MR. MacKAY: Okay. Can we go to page 8.

8 BY MR. MacKAY:

- 9 | Q. We don't have to go through all of the information in
- 10 here, but this is essentially the background of the facts of
- 11 | the case that would support why an operation is being
- 12 | proposed?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14 | Q. Targets were involved in debt collection, to your
- 15 | understanding, correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 | Q. They're also involved in marijuana trafficking in some
- 18 | connection, correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 | Q. And this arose at least from what you can see from the
- 21 | report here something regarding the Niagara Falls Police
- 22 | Department having some sort of confidential source regarding
- 23 | marijuana dealers in the Niagara Falls area?
- 24 A. Yes.
- MR. MacKAY: Can we go to the next page,

1 Ms. Champoux. 11:00AM BY MR. MacKAY: 2 11:00AM 3 All right. There's also information that targets in this 11:00AM operation, proposed operation involving in cocaine 11:00AM trafficking, correct? 11:00AM 11:01AM Can we zoom back in, please? Yes. Α. As well as heroin trafficking? 11:01AM Q. 8 Α. Yes. 11:01AM 9 As well as money laundering? 11:01AM Q. 10 11:01AM Α. Yes. 11:01AM 11 There's information that the CS with the Niagara Falls 12 Police Department may also have information regarding the 11:01AM 13 money-laundering activities? 11:01AM 14 Are you pointing to a particular sentence? 11:01AM I'll just withdraw the question. I'll ask it this way. 15 Q. 11:01AM 16 So it appears that the proposed operation involved a CS 11:01AM 17 with a Niagara Falls Police Department, correct? 11:01AM 11:01AM 18 Α. Yes. 19 And that confidential source appeared to have some 11:01AM 11:01AM 20 information about what was going up -- what was going on up 21 in Niagara Falls, correct? 11:01AM 22 Α. Yes. 11:02AM 23 I think you told us on direct that this individual, Frank 11:02AM 24 Tripi, you believed he had, based on law enforcement

reputation, some connection to Italian Organized Crime,

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11:02AM correct? 1 2 Α. Yes. 11:02AM That was possibly based on family connections? 11:02AM Family connections, his past activity, it was just his 11:02AM 11:02AM reputation. Q. Okay. So I just want to review, the information that's 11:02AM at least embodied in this report, is it fair to say there's 11:02AM some of the same types of criminal activity being 8 11:02AM 9 investigated that the Ron Serio investigation with the Wayne 11:02AM 10 Anderson case focused on? 11:02AM 11:02AM 11 Are you saying the crossover with the types of drugs? 12 Q. Yes, for one. 11:02AM 13 I mean, the there's no mention of the counterfeit 11:02AM 14 oxycodone in here. There's mention of marijuana. 11:02AM 15 Q. Let me ask it this way. The Ron Serio investigation 11:02AM 16 that's being conducted back in 2013, that involved marijuana 11:02AM 17 to some degree, correct? 11:02AM 11:03AM 18 Α. Yes. 19 It involved at least the possibility of some cocaine 11:03AM 11:03AM 20 being investigated, correct? 21 Α. Yes. 11:03AM And it involved money laundering as well, correct? 22 11:03AM Q.

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11:03AM are also involved in the Wayne Anderson case as well, too, 1 correct? 2 11:03AM Talking about Tim Lynch and --11:03AM Q. Yes. 11:03AM 11:03AM Α. Yes. 11:03AM And then there's also potential -- do you recall that the Q. Ron Serio investigation back in 2013, there was some thought 11:03AM about connections to organized crime? 8 11:03AM 9 I don't remember seeing that in that file. 11:03AM 10 MR. MacKAY: You can take that down, Ms. Champoux. 11:03AM BY MR. MacKAY: 11:03AM 11 12 All right. So just to finish up, on your direct, you had 11:03AM 13 talked about you had been involved in a number of interviews 11:03AM 14 with other DEA employees of the Buffalo office, right? 11:04AM 15 No, I said that I was not involved with the interviews of 11:04AM 16 the DEA employees at the office. 11:04AM 17 Okay. But I think you did tell us though that there were 11:04AM a number of DEA officials that were interviewed in some 11:04AM 18 19 capacity, correct? 11:04AM 11:04AM 20 Α. There were. 21 Like, Joseph Palmieri, correct? Q. 11:04AM 22 Α. Yes. 11:04AM 23 Mark Gentile? Q. 11:04AM 24 I -- yes. 11:04AM Α.

Okay. Shane Nastoff, correct?

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- 2 Q. Mike Hill, correct?
- 3 A. I believe so, yes.
- 4 Q. Brian Chella, correct?
- $5 \mid A. \text{ Yes.}$
- $6 \mid Q$. And I think you told us on direct there was a
- 7 | characterization that some of these individuals were evasive
- 8 | in their interviews?
- 9 A. So, I can only talk about the ones that I participated
- 10 | in. I did talk to Mr. Palmieri. And I talked to Mr. Yensan.
- 11 | I was part of those interviews.
- 12 | Q. I left out the name, so, Mr. Yensan, he was at the time,
- 13 | at one point in time a supervisor at the DEA, correct?
- 14 | A. Yes.
- 15 | Q. And, so from your testimony, you were saying that both
- 16 | Yensan and Palmieri, in your opinion, presented as evasive,
- 17 | correct?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And in response to that, those individuals were both sent
- 20 | subject or target letters, correct?
- 21 | A. Not solely in response to that, but ultimately that did
- 22 happen.
 - 23 | Q. Did you understand that at some point in time Greg Yensan
 - 24 | was moved out of a supervisor position at the DEA?
- 11:05AM 25 A. I do know that he moved out of his supervisory position,

11:05AM	1	yes.
11:05AM	2	Q. Okay. Now Shane Nastoff, he was an individual, I think
11:05AM	3	you said you might not have participated in the interview,
11:05AM	4	but you understand that he was interviewed in the context of
11:05AM	5	this whole case, correct?
11:05AM	6	A. Yes.
11:05AM	7	Q. And ultimately did you come to understand that he was
11:05AM	8	promoted to a group supervisor sometime following
11:05AM	9	Mr. Bongiovanni's retirement from the DEA?
11:05AM	10	A. He was promoted, yes.
11:05AM	11	Q. Okay. And just so the jury understands, what is a target
11:06AM	12	or subject letter?
11:06AM	13	A. It's a letter from the U.S. Attorney's Office to an
11:06AM	14	individual advising them that they're the target of an
11:06AM	15	investigation.
11:06AM	16	Q. All right.
11:06AM	17	MR. MacKAY: All right. Judge, can I just have one
11:06AM	18	moment?
11:06AM	19	THE COURT: Sure.
11:06AM	20	MR. MacKAY: No further questions, Your Honor.
11:06AM	21	THE COURT: Redirect.
11:06AM	22	MR. TRIPI: Yes, Your Honor, thank you.
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11:06AM	24	REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. TRIPI:
11:06AM	25	Q. So just to finish off that last thought, was Palmieri
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- served a subject letter before he was ever interviewed? 1 11:06AM I don't recall the sequence. 2 11:06AM You don't recall? That was served by Special Agent 11:06AM Carpenter, correct? 11:06AM 11:06AM Yes. 11:06AM And then just remind us, yesterday you said he sat for several interviewed and then polygraphed, right? 11:06AM 8 Yes. Α. 11:06AM 9 And then after all that, a federal search warrant was 11:06AM Q. 10 executed at his residence, correct? 11:06AM 11:06AM 11 Α. Yes. 12 All right. I'm going to start with what was covered 11:06AM 13 today, and then I'm going to go back to yesterday, all right? 11:07AM 14 All right. Right out of the gate, I just want to ask 11:07AM 15 you, you know, working as a DEA task force officer, do DEA 11:07AM 16 standards of conduct preclude agents and task force officers 11:07AM 17 from associating with known felons, drug dealers, and people 11:07AM under investigation? 11:07AM 18 19 Α. Yes. 11:07AM 11:07AM 20 MR. TRIPI: Let's pull up Exhibit 127. 21 BY MR. TRIPI: 11:07AM As of June 30th, 2018, was Peter Gerace a federally 22 11:07AM 23 convicted felon? 11:07AM 24 Yes. 11:07AM Α.
 - Q. As of June 30th, 2018, was Peter Gerace a suspected drug

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11:07AM dealer? 1 2 Α. Yes. 11:07AM As of June 30th, 2018, was Peter Gerace someone who law 3 11:07AM enforcement was -- had an investigative interest in? 11:07AM 11:07AM Yes. So, all three of those things apply to Mr. Gerace who's 11:07AM Q. standing next to this defendant, right? 11:08AM 8 They do. Α. 11:08AM 9 Okay. 11:08AM Q. 10 MR. TRIPI: Let's take that down. 11:08AM 11:08AM 11 BY MR. TRIPI: 12 Now, from your time working at DEA, as well as your time 11:08AM 13 as a special agent for several agencies that are involved in 11:08AM 14 investigations, is it the case agent's job to make sure all 11:08AM pertinent paperwork gets to the official file? 15 11:08AM 16 Yes. Α. 11:08AM 17 Okay. So here, all of those hot sheets and subpoena 11:08AM responses that Mr. MacKay showed you, were any of those in 11:08AM 18 19 the official DEA paper file that DEA had access to when you 11:08AM 11:08AM 20 got the file? 21 I saw the scan of the official file. 11:08AM 22 Q. Right. 11:08AM 23 None of those were in the scan, or not all of those were Α. 11:08AM

MR. TRIPI: Let's pull up 8A, Ms. Champoux.

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in the scan.

BY MR. TRIPI: 1 11:08AM You've seen this file, right? 2 11:09AM Q. This is 1326, yes. 11:09AM Α. Q. Have you seen a hot sheet in this paper file? 11:09AM 11:09AM Α. No. 11:09AM Have you seen a hot sheet in the case management system Q. file for C2-13-0026? 11:09AM 8 Α. No. 11:09AM 9 Did you see a hot sheet for Tom Serio in this paper file? 11:09AM Q. 10 11:09AM Α. No. 11:09AM 11 Q. Did you see a hot sheet for Chris Baker in this paper 12 file? 11:09AM 13 No. 11:09AM Α. 14 Did you see a hot sheet for Mike Moynihan in this paper 11:09AM file? 15 11:09AM 16 Α. No. 11:09AM 17 Did you see any of the documents that Mr. MacKay showed 11:09AM you regarding Mike Masecchia, the DARTS screen prints in this 11:09AM 18 19 file? 11:09AM 11:09AM 20 Α. No. 21 What file did you see those in? 11:09AM Q. 22 The Redweld that we found in Mr. Bongiovanni's house. Α. 11:09AM 23 Is that the only place you saw those documents? Q. 11:09AM

25 Q. All those documents in the defendant's basement are DEA

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11:09AM property though, right? 1 They're DEA records, yes. 2 11:10AM Just because he's a case agent, it doesn't make them his, 11:10AM correct? 11:10AM 11:10AM Correct. You've been involved in drug investigations for a long 11:10AM time; is that right? 11:10AM 8 Α. Yes. 11:10AM 9 In all of those cases, have you ever made a drug case 11:10AM Q. 10 resulting in any arrests based simply on subpoenas and 11:10AM subpoena returns? 11:10AM 11 12 No. 11:10AM 13 Is issuing subpoenas and receiving subpoena returns the 11:10AM 14 bare minimum an agent can do in an investigation? 11:10AM 15 MR. MackAY: Objection. 11:10AM 16 THE COURT: Sustained. 11:10AM BY MR. TRIPI: 17 11:10AM Would you feel like you were conducting a thorough 11:10AM 18 19 investigation if all you did was subpoena records? 11:10AM 11:10AM 20 MR. MacKAY: Objection. 21 THE COURT: Sustained. 11:10AM 22 BY MR. TRIPI: 11:10AM 23 Will a bunch of -- would a bunch of subpoena returns 11:10AM without further investigative action result in a drug arrest? 24 11:11AM 25 MR. MacKAY: Objection. 11:11AM

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                                        Judge, this is within the scope of --
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                                        Wait, wait, wait. Stop, stop, stop.
                            THE COURT:
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                  want to think about it.
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                            MR. MacKAY: I think it's speculation.
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                                        It wasn't speculation on cross.
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                            MR. TRIPI:
                            THE COURT:
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                  this, please.
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                            Overruled.
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                            THE WITNESS: Could you ask the question again,
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                            MR. TRIPI: Ms. Sawyer, would you please read the
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                            (The above-requested question was then read by the
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                  reporter.)
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                            THE WITNESS:
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                            BY MR. TRIPI:
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                       In your review of Exhibit 8A, both the paper file and the
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                  case management file, did you see any -- any interviews of
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                  John Robinson?
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                       Did you see any interviews of Mike Moynihan?
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                       Did you see any interview of Chris Baker?
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                       Did you see any interviews of Kelly Brace?
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- 2 | Q. Did you see any interviews of anyone who you understood
- 3 | to be a subordinate to Ron and Tom Serio in the Serio
- 4 organization?
- 5 | A. No.
- 6 | Q. Did you see any interviews of anybody, anybody in the
- 7 | Serio drug-trafficking organization in the DEA-6s in the
- 8 | file?
- 9 A. Not in the 6s, no.
- 10 | Q. Well, that's where they would be documented, right?
- 11 | A. The only -- I'm thinking of --
- 12 | Q. I'm not asking you about the confidential source.
- 13 A. Understood.
- 14 | Q. Put that aside. Any of the other players?
- 15 | A. No.
- 16 | Q. Did you observe one single surveillance by Special Agent
- 17 | Dave Leary?
- 18 | A. One.
- 19 | Q. That was the only one, right?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. Did you see any pen registers?
- 22 A. No.
- $23 \mid Q$. That's the next step, after getting all those subpoenas
- 24 | is to advance to a pen register; is that right?
- 11:13AM 25 A. That's one way to do it, yes. It would be a more

- 1 advanced technique.
- 2 | Q. Did you see any recorded calls?
- 3 A. No.

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- 4 | Q. Did you see any controlled buys?
- 5 A. Some attempts, but none completed.
- 6 Q. Did you see any actual controlled buys?
- 7 | A. No.
 - 8 | Q. Did you see any trash pulls?
- 9 | A. No.
 - 10 Q. You saw an operation plan for a buy into T.S. that never
 - 11 | happened, correct?
 - 12 A. That's what I'm thinking of, yes.
 - 13 | Q. And the case agent writes the operation plan; is that
 - 14 | right?
 - 15 | A. Yes.
 - 16 | Q. That doesn't mean there was ever a buy actually planned
 - 17 | though, does it?
 - 18 | A. There's no DEA-6 that documents an attempted buy.
 - 19 Q. Okay. There was no pole cameras put up, putting a video
 - 20 | camera in front of Ron Serio's house on a telephone pole, was
 - 21 | there?
 - 22 A. No.
 - 23 | Q. Or any other address associated with Ron Serio, was
- 11:14AM 24 there?
- 11:14AM 25 A. No.

- There were no arrests in the case, was there? 1 Q. 11:14AM 2 Not after the ones the state police did, no. 11:14AM Α. Wayne Anderson and Damien Abbate were arrested, and then 11:14AM the DEA, this defendant adopted that case, right? 11:14AM 11:14AM Α. Yes. 11:14AM After that, nobody got arrested? Q. Α. Correct. 11:14AM There were no federal or state prosecutions after that, 8 Q. 11:14AM 9 correct? 11:14AM 10 11:14AM Α. Correct. 11:14AM 11 MR. TRIPI: Let's go to Exhibit 8A at page 13. 12 BY MR. TRIPI: 11:14AM 13 Do you recognize this to be the DEA-6 prepared May 2nd, 11:14AM 14 2013, the initial debriefing of R.K.? 11:15AM 15 A. Yes. 11:15AM 16 MR. TRIPI: And I'd like to scroll down to the next 11:15AM 17 11:15AM page, page 14, Ms. Champoux. BY MR. TRIPI: 11:15AM 18 19 Okay. Do you see under the financial-related 11:15AM 11:15AM 20 information, do you see where it says DEA agents are 21 coordinating the investigation with the AUSA WDNY New York 11:15AM State Attorney General, New York State Police, Buffalo FBI, 22 11:15AM 23 IRS, and are working towards wire intercepts? 11:15AM
 - 25 Q. Other than issuing some subpoenas, do you see a single

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investigative step that would satisfy an exhaustion 1 11:15AM requirement in a Title III wiretap application? 2 11:15AM Only Dave Leary's surveillance. 11:15AM Okay. Other than Dave Leary's surveillance, not a single 11:15AM step would satisfy exhaustion, right? 11:15AM Α. No. 11:15AM MR. MacKAY: Objection. That calls for a legal 11:15AM 8 conclusion. 11:15AM It's not a legal conclusion, Your Honor. 9 MR. TRIPI: 11:16AM Agents know how to do wiretaps. 11:16AM 10 11:16AM 11 THE COURT: Mr. Tripi, please. 12 MR. TRIPI: I'm just briefly responding. 11:16AM 13 THE COURT: I understand. When there's an objection, 11:16AM 14 let me think about it. If I need argument, I will ask for the 11:16AM 15 argument. Okay? 11:16AM 16 MR. TRIPI: You got it. 11:16AM 17 THE COURT: 11:16AM Okay. 11:16AM 18 The objection is overruled. 19 BY MR. TRIPI: 11:16AM 11:16AM 20 And even in a case where you are making an application 21 for Title III, you need to do more than one surveillance; is 11:16AM 22 that right? 11:16AM 23 A. Yes, you would have to do many hours of surveillance over 11:16AM 24 many days. 11:16AM 25 Did anything like that happen in this case file that's 11:16AM

- been documented in any DEA-6s? 1 11:16AM 2 Α. No. 11:16AM Earlier --11:16AM Q. MR. TRIPI: We can take that down. 11:17AM BY MR. TRIPI: 11:17AM 5 11:17AM 6 -- you were shown Exhibit 101A.1, and Mr. MacKay showed you the Chris Baker rap sheet, and then he showed you the 11:17AM Baker toll analysis after that; do you remember that? 8 11:17AM I do. Α. 11:17AM 10 And the rap sheet was actually run after the tolls were 11:17AM 11:17AM 11 obtained. Do you remember those dates? The rap sheet was 12 run in April, but the tolls were in March? 11:17AM 13 Yes. 11:17AM Α. 14 Did -- did the defendant document in any report anywhere 11:17AM how he got those phone numbers? 15 11:17AM 16 Α. No. 11:17AM 17 How he knew these phone numbers? 11:17AM Q. 11:17AM 18 Α. No. 19 Normally, as an investigator who works drug cases, when 11:17AM 11:18AM 20 you don't know someone's phone number, do you start with the 21 record checks on the person first to try to locate or find a 11:18AM 22 potential phone number? 11:18AM 23 A. Yes. Background checks, public record checks, something 11:18AM
 - 25 Q. You don't start with the phone number subpoena, right?

that might point to a phone number.

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- 1 | You've got to find that number.
- 2 A. It has to come to you somehow, yes.
- 3 | Q. But here, you saw records showing that the subpoena
- 4 | preceded the record check; is that right?
- 5 | A. Yes.

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- 6 | Q. Same with Mike Buttitta that he showed you. The criminal
- 7 record checks started after the subpoena response came in,
- 8 | true?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 | Q. And the defendant didn't write how he knew those numbers
- 11 | in the file, did he?
- 12 | A. No.
- 13 Q. Now, you went through a bunch of documents this morning
- 14 | with Mr. MacKay in Exhibit 100A.1, which is that file, we've
- 15 | shown it plenty of times, 100A, right?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 | Q. Based on DEA policy, procedure, and your training and
- 18 experience, was this defendant permitted to remove a single
- 19 one of those documents Mr. MacKay showed you and keep it in
- 20 | his basement at retirement?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 MR. TRIPI: Can we pull up Exhibit 100A.1 and go to
- 23 | the Masecchia hot sheet. Masecchia phone info and hot -- it
- 24 | says, let me get the record correct, Masecchia M phone info
- 11:19AM 25 and hot sheet. Thank you.

BY MR. TRIPI: 1 11:19AM You looked at this earlier, right? 2 11:19AM Q. 11:19AM Α. Yes. And it's a six-page scan? 11:19AM MR. TRIPI: Can we scroll down, Ms. Champoux. 11:19AM 11:19AM at page 2. BY MR. TRIPI: 11:19AM I think earlier you indicated that this is, like, this is 8 11:19AM the DARTS for the subpoena related to Masecchia's number, 11:20AM 10 right? 11:20AM 11:20AM 11 A. This is the screen in DARTS that shows that Sprint has 12 returned records, and that they're available for download. 11:20AM 13 Now I just want to be clear, Justin Borst is an intel 11:20AM 14 analyst, right? 11:20AM 15 Yes. Α. 11:20AM 16 Intel analysts oftentimes run the subpoenas for case 11:20AM 17 11:20AM agents, correct? 11:20AM 18 Α. Yes. 19 But read the full Trinity remarks that Justin Borst wrote 11:20AM 11:20AM 20 as associated to this phone number 812-0664. Read the whole 21 thing. 11:20AM Number part of ongoing narcotics investigation belonging 22 11:20AM 23 to Michael Masecchia per S.A. Bongiovanni. 11:20AM 24 Did the defendant write a single sentence in any report 11:20AM Q.

and file C2-13-0026 explaining how Michael Masecchia was

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connected to the Ron Serio case or Wayne Anderson? 11:20AM 1 2 Α. No. 11:21AM 3 Now, the Trinity remarks, based upon DEA protocol and 11:21AM procedure, are reflective of what the agent has indicated to 11:21AM the analyst preparing the DARTS subpoena, correct? 11:21AM Right. 11:21AM Α. That's how we get those remarks? 11:21AM Q. 8 Α. Right. 11:21AM 9 It does not say there number part of investigation 11:21AM Q. 10 belonging to Mike Masecchia, who Special Agent Bongiovanni 11:21AM went to high school with, right? 11:21AM 11 12 Correct. 11:21AM 13 It does not say number part of an ongoing narcotics 11:21AM 14 investigation belonging to Mike Masecchia who Special Agent 11:21AM Bongiovanni drove to college with, correct? 15 11:21AM 16 Correct. Α. 11:21AM 17 It doesn't say part of an ongoing narcotics investigation 11:21AM belonging to Mike Masecchia who Bongiovanni has known for 40 11:21AM 18 19 years, correct? 11:21AM 11:21AM 20 Α. Correct. 21 MR. TRIPI: We can take that down. 11:21AM 22 BY MR. TRIPI: 11:21AM 23 That entry, though, that we saw is in DARTS, that means 11:21AM 24 Bongiovanni's going to get a notice any time that phone 11:22AM

number linked to Mike Masecchia comes up in DARTS; is that

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- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 | Q. And that's the point of DARTS, the analysts get these
- 4 | subpoenaed responses, and they push them into DARTS to
- 5 develop the robust deconfliction system that DEA has,
- 6 | correct?
- 7 | A. Correct. DARTS forces you to deconflict the number
- 8 before you do the subpoena.
- 9 Q. In other words, you've got to put it into DARTS to do the
- 10 | subpoena?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- 12 | Q. So if we were to see a subpoena for Lou Selva in that
- 13 | case file, which we've seen already, that means it went into
- 14 | DARTS?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 Q. We see a subpoena for Paul Francoforte, that means his
- 17 | number went into DARTS?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 Q. We see subpoenas for Mike Masecchia, Ron Serio, that
- 20 | means their numbers went into DARTS, right?
- 21 | A. Yes.
- 22 | Q. That means he gets notice any time that number hits
- 23 | anywhere in the world, correct?
- 24 | A. Yes.
 - 25 Q. Not just the United States, the world, where DEA has

11:23AM offices, correct? 1 2 Α. Yes. 11:23AM On that DEA DARTS report that we just had on the 11:23AM Oh. screen for Masecchia, we don't have to pull it up again, but 11:23AM it said for DEA official use only; do you remember that? 11:23AM 11:23AM Α. I do. Can a retired DEA agent conduct official business from 11:23AM 8 his basement? 11:23AM No. 11:23AM Α. 10 Mr. MacKay showed you a hot sheet for 561 -- withdrawn. 11:23AM I don't know if it's a hot sheet. 11:23AM 11 12 MR. TRIPI: Let's pull up 100A.1. 561-801-0221. 11:23AM 13 THE COURT: And this is from exhibit --11:24AM 14 MR. TRIPI: From Exhibit 100A.1. It's near the top, 11:24AM 15 I believe, Ms. Champoux. 11:24AM 16 There you go. You got it. Thank you. 11:24AM 17 For the record, this is 561-801-0221, Serio T toll 11:24AM analysis as in Exhibit 100A.1. 11:24AM 18 19 THE COURT: This is a folder in that exhibit. 11:24AM 11:24AM 20 MR. TRIPI: That is correct. Thank you, Your Honor. 21 BY MR. TRIPI: 11:24AM Now earlier you were talking about this document, and it 22 11:24AM 23 was a hot number list. The number to the left, that shows 11:24AM 24 the number of times that number was called during a certain 11:24AM 25 time period, which is the date range to the far right, 11:24AM

correct? 1 11:24AM 2 Yes. 11:24AM Α. And you went through sort of no subscriber with 11:24AM Mr. MacKay, but one other -- one other way you could see a no 11:24AM 11:24AM subscriber is sometimes they are prepaid phones where, like, 11:25AM a TracFone, where there is no subscriber, correct? Yes. Α. 11:25AM That could be another explanation for a phone that has no 8 11:25AM 9 subscriber assigned to it? 11:25AM 10 I don't know if it would have a comment that says 11:25AM 11:25AM 11 TracFone or something in there or not. 12 Okay. But just generally, I guess, the point of prepaid 11:25AM 13 phones sometimes in terms of drug dealers' utilization of 11:25AM 14 them is they don't have a subscriber associated with them. 11:25AM 15 Correct. Α. 11:25AM 16 All right. Okay. In here, the actual hot list, number 11:25AM 15 that's highlighted, had a phone number 716-481-8002 which 17 11:25AM you know to be John Robinson, correct? 11:25AM 18 19 Α. Yes. 11:25AM 11:25AM 20 Q. That's somebody you've interviewed, correct? 21 I called that phone number and found him. Α. 11:25AM And you did that in, like, 2020? 22 11:25AM Q. 23 Α. Yes. 11:25AM

And then you went and talked to him?

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- And that was the first time John Robinson was ever talked 1 11:25AM to with anything related to this --2 11:25AM Yes. 11:26AM Α. -- correct? Was he a little surprised to see you at his 11:26AM 11:26AM house in Corning, New York? He was. 11:26AM Α. And this hot number list was done in 2012? 11:26AM Q. 8 November 30th, yes. Α. 11:26AM 9 And yet nobody ever talked to John Robinson until you 11:26AM Q. 10 did; is that right? 11:26AM 11:26AM 11 Α. Yes. 12 And that was after you found this in the defendant's 11:26AM 13 basement? 11:26AM 14 Yes. 11:26AM Α. 15 That was someone that worked for Ron and Tom Serio, Q. 11:26AM 16 correct? 11:26AM 17 Yes, he did. 11:26AM Α. You were shown a bunch of local police reports that were 11:26AM 18 19 in Government Exhibit 100A, several of those Buffalo police 11:27AM 11:27AM 20 booking sheets. I think you saw one for Robert Mettal and a 21 couple others that Mr. MacKay showed you a moment ago on 11:27AM cross; do you remember that? 22 11:27AM Yes. 23 Α.
 - 24 For all of the ones that you've looked at in court here Q.

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25 today and in the file, was it Joseph Palmieri who ran those 11:27AM local police reports for the defendant? 1 2 Α. Yes. 11:27AM So it seems from your review of the file and in court 11:27AM here today that when this defendant wanted something done 11:27AM locally in terms of running a police report, Joseph Palmieri 11:27AM 11:27AM did it? MR. MackAY: Objection, speculation. 11:27AM MR. TRIPI: I asked from his review of what was in 8 11:27AM 9 court and the file. It's consistent with the line of 11:27AM 10 questioning from before. I got you. 11:27AM 11:27AM 11 THE COURT: So the question --12 I can repeat it if you'd like, Judge. 11:28AM 13 BY MR. TRIPI: 11:28AM 14 So Joe Palmieri, from the reports you reviewed in court 11:28AM 15 and in the file, seems to run all the local police reports 11:28AM 16 the defendant wants in this case. 11:28AM 17 That's my question, Your Honor. 11:28AM MR. TRIPI: 11:28AM 18 THE COURT: Did you object to that? Are you 19 objecting to that? He reworded the question. Do you object 11:28AM 11:28AM 20 to that question? 21 MR. MackAY: No, I'll withdraw the objection. 11:28AM 22 THE COURT: Okay. 11:28AM 23 BY MR. TRIPI: 11:28AM 24 And your answer is? 11:28AM Q. 25 11:28AM Yes, Joe Palmieri ran the local reports.

And those generally were people associated with the Serio 1 11:28AM organization; is that right? 2 11:28AM Yes. 11:28AM Α. I'll get back to Operation Past Due in a moment, but --11:28AM 5 MR. TRIPI: Can we take this down? 11:29AM BY MR. TRIPI: 11:29AM 6 -- yesterday, you talked about the January 6th, 2019 11:29AM interview, do you remember that? 8 11:29AM 9 Obviously, it was part of the cross-examination today, 11:29AM 10 direct yesterday, cross yesterday. 11:29AM June 6th? 11:29AM 11 Α. 12 June 6th. Did I say January? I'm sorry. June 6th, 11:29AM 13 When you were sitting at the table, you had marked 11:29AM 14 yesterday sort of where everyone was situated. I think you 11:29AM marked yourself as next to the defendant on the same side of 15 11:29AM 16 the table; is that right? 11:29AM 17 I was, to his right. 11:29AM Α. Did you sort of turn or orient your chair, were you and 11:29AM 18 19 him actually facing each other, even though you were both on 11:29AM that side of the table? 11:29AM 20 21 A. Yes, I was turned towards him. 11:29AM 22 You were asked some questions yesterday about not 11:29AM 23 recording your interview with the defendant on your iPhone; 11:29AM 24 do you recall those questions? 11:30AM

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A. Yes.

Was that a conscientious decision by you? 1 11:30AM 2 Α. Yes. 11:30AM 3 Can you please explain why, based on your training and 11:30AM 4 experience, you chose to conduct the interview the way you 11:30AM 11:30AM Explain to the jury. 11:30AM Specifically with the iPhone, if the phone rings, it interferes with the recording. When you're the case agent on 11:30AM search warrant day, you can expect your phone to ring, so 8 11:30AM 9 it's not a good recording tool. 11:30AM 10 Then the other problem with a recording in that kind of 11:30AM environment in my experience is that the background noise 11:30AM 11 12 tends to block out the conversation that you're trying to 11:30AM 13 record. Not completely, but in large sections. And if you 11:30AM 14 can imagine furniture is moving, people are walking around, 11:30AM boxes and other things are being moved around, there's a lot 15 11:30AM 16 of background noise. 11:30AM 17 Was the interview and the way you documented what the 11:30AM defendant said consistent with your training and experience 11:30AM 18 19 as an Army CID investigator? 11:31AM 11:31AM 20 Α. Yes. 21 Was it consistent with your training and experience as an 11:31AM 22 NCIS investigator? 11:31AM 23 Α. Yes. 11:31AM

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Was it consistent with your training and experience as a

1 Α. Yes. 11:31AM Q. Was it consistent with your training and experience as a 2 11:31AM 3 Department of Justice Office of Inspector General 11:31AM investigator? 11:31AM 11:31AM Α. Yes. Was it consistent with your training as a Homeland 11:31AM Q. Security special agent? 11:31AM 8 Yes. 11:31AM Α. 9 Did you take your notes contemporaneous to the 11:31AM Q. 10 conversation you were having? 11:31AM 11:31AM 11 Α. Yes. 12 Are you able to do two things at once? 11:31AM Q. 13 Α. Yes. 11:31AM 14 Can you talk to someone and also take some notes? 11:31AM Q. 15 Α. Yes. 11:31AM 16 If you need to clarify something, do you go back and Q. 11:31AM 17 11:31AM write more notes? 11:31AM 18 Yes. Or ask a clarifying question. 19 Q. And do you have a memory? 11:31AM 11:31AM 20 Α. Yes. 21 Were these things important to you during your 11:31AM Q. 22 investigation? 11:31AM 23 Α. Yes. 11:31AM 24 Were you intent upon remembering the things that happened 11:31AM

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that day?

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- 2 | Q. Was the interview you conducted in the defendant's living
- 3 | room consistent with the policies and procedures of your
- 4 agency?
- 5 | A. Yes.
- 6 | Q. You were asked about recording back at the police
- 7 | station. That was a different -- that wasn't the interview
- 8 | that was conducted that day, right?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. You weren't arresting the defendant, right?
- 11 | A. We did not.
- 12 | Q. You were in his living room talking to him, weren't you?
- 13 | A. In the dining room, yes.
- 14 | Q. At that point in your investigation, you were just happy
- 15 | that he was talking to you, right?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 | Q. Did you expect him to talk to you?
- 18 | A. No.
- 19 | Q. The manner which you conducted the interview, in your
- 20 | training and experience, is an interview of the sort that you
- 21 | conducted that day different from an interrogation?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | Q. Tell the jury, what's the difference between those two
- 11:32AM 24 | techniques.
- 11:32AM 25 A. An interview involves open-ended questions. Not much

11:33AM talking by the person that's doing the interviewing other 1 than open-ended questions and maybe a clarifying question. 2 11:33AM And then you allow the person that you're interviewing do 11:33AM 3 most of the talking. 11:33AM An interrogation is very different. In an interrogation, 11:33AM 11:33AM if I'm doing it, I'm doing almost all of the talking. 6 most of the questions are going to have short answers like 11:33AM 8 yes or no. 11:33AM 9 In an interrogation, are you confronting people with 11:33AM 10 evidence you've acquired? 11:33AM 11:33AM 11 Α. Yes. 12 And you didn't do too much of that during your interview 11:33AM with the defendant other than showing him a couple pictures? 13 11:33AM 14 The two pictures. 11:33AM Α. 15 In your experience interviewing people, do individuals 11:33AM 16 sometimes provide interviews -- withdrawn. 11:33AM 17 In your experience interviewing people, are you cognizant 11:33AM 11:33AM 18 of the fact that sometimes the questions or the more 19 specificity that's in your questions, it could -- it could 11:33AM provide details of your investigation? 11:34AM 20 21 Always. Α. 11:34AM Is that part of the assessment you make when deciding how 22 11:34AM 23 much detail to provide or confront somebody with during an 11:34AM 24 interview? 11:34AM

How much detail to provide, or even which questions to

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- 2 | Q. And as of that date in June, you were still intent upon
- 3 | further investigating, right?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Mr. Bongiovanni didn't get arrested until the
- 6 | following -- until October of 2019; is that right?
- 7 | A. October or November. Maybe the first week of November,
- 8 | yes, sir.
- 9 Q. Okay. So, this was just one part of the investigation;
- 10 | is that right?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- 12 \mid Q. But to sum it up, was it an interview that you did not
- 13 | want to at that point put all your cards on the table?
- 14 | A. Yes.
- 15 | Q. Because you were still investigating?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 | Q. Were you still learning information?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 Q. For example, if you had had and had time to review every
- 20 | single document that the defendant was storing in his
- 21 | basement, would you have had a lot more questions to ask?
- 22 A. Many. Yes.
- 23 | Q. You were asked yesterday about if you determined whether
- 24 | the defendant was confused, or if he seemed confused by any
- 25 of your questions. Did the defendant seem confused by your

- 11:35AM 1 questions at any point?
 11:35AM 2 A. Not at all.
 - 3 Q. If the defendant had been confused about anything, would
 - 4 | you have made sure to clarify your question to make sure he
 - 5 | understood?
 - 6 A. Yes.

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- 7 Q. Do you recall needing to do that at all?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Did the defendant ever say to you, I'm confused by your
- 10 | questions?
- 11 | A. I don't remember that, no.
- 12 Q. As -- as you walked in the door that day to do your
- 13 | interview, you had an awareness that the defendant was a
- 14 | 20-year veteran special agent similar to yourself, correct?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 | Q. As you walked in there, do you believe the defendant had
- 17 | similar training as it relates to interview and interrogation
- 18 | tactics?
- 19 A. Yes.
- $20 \mid Q$. Was that also a consideration as to part of your approach
- 21 how to deal with him?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | Q. Is remembering important details and documenting them an
- 24 | important part of your job training experience?
- 11:36AM 25 A. Yes.

You were asked some questions on cross-examination about 1 11:36AM what the defendant meant when he said that he and Peter 2 11:36AM 3 Gerace were not in a close relationship; do you remember 11:36AM I think yesterday, Mr. MacKay asked you, you didn't 11:36AM have him define "close relationship," right? 11:36AM 11:36AM I did not. Α. You remember those questions yesterday? 11:36AM 8 Α. I do. 11:37AM 9 Did you need an English dictionary to understand what the 11:37AM Q. 10 defendant meant when he said him and Peter Gerace were not in 11:37AM a close relationship? 11:37AM 11 12 No. 11:37AM 13 You were asked questions yesterday about the defendant's 11:37AM 14 statement to you wherein in your interview he claimed he 11:37AM could not remember whether Anthony was at the party in 15 11:37AM 16 Toronto; do you remember being asked those questions 11:37AM 17 yesterday? 11:37AM 11:37AM 18 Α. I do. 19 But the text messages that we looked at, Exhibit 310D, at 11:37AM 11:37AM 20 least during that time period when he was texting with Peter 21 Gerace, the defendant remembered Anthony Gerace being at the 11:37AM party in Toronto; is that right? 22 11:37AM 23 That's how it appears, yes. Α. 11:37AM 24 And we looked at those text messages yesterday, right? Q.

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Yes.

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In 20 -- in or about 2019 when Kevin Myszka was
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                  interviewed --
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                            MR. TRIPI: Let's pull up exhibit 126, Ms. Champoux.
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                            BY MR. TRIPI:
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                      -- Kevin Myszka was interviewed about three years after
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                  the trip to Toronto; is that right?
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                      Yes.
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                      And Kevin Myszka remembered Anthony Gerace --
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                            MR. MackAY: Objection. Calls for hearsay.
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                            MR. TRIPI: I'm asking what he indicated he
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                  remembered.
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                            THE COURT: No.
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                            BY MR. TRIPI:
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                      Did Kevin Myszka provide details in an interview that you
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                  were able to corroborate through a border crossing record?
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                      Did that border crossing record establish that Anthony
                  Gerace was in Toronto?
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                            MR. MacKAY: Objection, calls for hearsay.
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                            MR. TRIPI:
                                        Does not. It's a border crossing record
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                  that he reviewed.
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                                        Mr. Tripi, please.
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                            THE WITNESS: It established that he was in Canada,
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                  yes.
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BY MR. TRIPI: 1 11:38AM I'm sorry, Toronto is in Canada. 2 11:38AM 11:39AM Α. Yes. Now the defendant told you he knew you were conducting an 11:39AM Italian Organized Crime investigation; is that right? 11:39AM 11:39AM Α. Yes. Now you never told the defendant when you guys worked 11:39AM together that you were conducting an IOC, Italian Organized 8 11:39AM 9 Crime, investigation, correct? 11:39AM 10 I did not. 11:39AM Α. 11:39AM 11 Did the defendant ever explain to you how he found out 12 you were conducting an IOC investigation? 11:39AM An IOC investigation, not talking about Ron Serio. 13 11:39AM 14 Α. No. 11:39AM Now on cross-examination, you were asked about the 15 11:39AM 16 defendant's first explanation about why the file, the Ron 11:39AM 17 Serio file, was in his house. 11:39AM And he told you he knew that you were conducting an 11:39AM 18 19 investigation into Italian Organized Crime, and that he took 11:39AM 11:39AM 20 the Serio file home at retirement to, in his words, verify 21 that he -- everything's on the up and up, or that he did a 11:39AM 22 legitimate investigation, right? 11:39AM 23 Yes. Α. 11:39AM 24 Does taking the file and removing it from DEA and putting

it in his basement in any way help you verify that he did a

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legitimate investigation? 1 11:40AM 2 Α. No. 11:40AM Does it do the opposite of helping you verify that? 11:40AM Α. Yes. 11:40AM So as you sat in an interview, did you understand the 11:40AM 11:40AM 6 defendant's explanation to be that he took the file out of DEA to a place that no one in the DEA or law enforcement 11:40AM would ever see it so that he could some day show law 8 11:40AM 9 enforcement that he conducted an legitimate investigation? 11:40AM 10 MR. MacKAY: Objection. 11:40AM 11:40AM 11 THE COURT: Sustained. 12 BY MR. TRIPI: 11:40AM Did his explanation that he did give you make any sense 11:40AM 13 14 to you? 11:40AM No, that's why I asked him the other question, or asked 15 11:40AM 16 him about it again. 11:40AM MR. TRIPI: All right. Ms. Champoux, let's pull down 17 11:40AM Exhibit 126, and let's go to Exhibit 26E. 11:40AM 18 19 BY MR. TRIPI: 11:40AM 11:41AM 20 This was shown to you yesterday as we get it up; do you 21 remember this? 11:41AM 22 Α. Yes. 11:41AM 23 You began to explain yesterday, I think, during cross 11:41AM 24 that this isn't an actual -- that the from email from 11:41AM

Mr. Bongiovanni to Mr. Yensan is not the email from DARTS.

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- 1 Can you describe that again for the jury?
 - 2 A. Yes. So this email as it appears is a forwarded DARTS
 - 3 | email from Mr. Bongiovanni to Greg Yensan who was at the time
 - 4 his supervisor.
 - 5 | Q. And do you notice other than sent from my iPhone, it's
 - 6 | forwarded to Greg Yensan without comment?
 - 7 A. Yes.
 - 8 | Q. And it's forwarded on what date? The sent date on the
 - 9 | top.

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- 10 | A. I see it, August 21st, 2018.
- 11 | Q. Is that about a month after the July 20th, 2018 proffer
- 12 | that you and Special Agent Casullo and several others were in
- 13 | with Ron Serio?
- 14 | A. Yes.
- 15 | Q. Is that about three weeks after Special Agent Casullo
- 16 | reported Bongiovanni's race-related comments?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 MR. TRIPI: And, Ms. Champoux, if we can now go to
- 19 | sort of the -- blow this up so he can see it maybe better.

20 BY MR. TRIPI:

- $21 \mid Q$. Now we're moving to the lower part of the document. In
- 22 | the to line, I'm sorry, in the from line, the forwarding of
- 23 | the DARTS email indicates that this is based upon an
- 24 | investigative overlap created by you. What does that mean?
- 25 A. So if you look at the -- if we just use the first Trinity

- 1 | item as an example, that means that I entered that phone
- 2 | number because I wanted to subpoena the tolls and the
- 3 | subscriber DARTS forces you to deconflict it first. And that
- 4 deconfliction overlapped with the same phone number appearing
- 5 in C2-13-0026 in the DARTS database.
- 6 | Q. So now yesterday you were asked about this C2-16-0087
- 7 | file that was for you, and you said you thought was either
- 8 | Jarrett Guy or Joseph Bella; do you remember that?
- 9 A. Yes.

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- 10 | Q. Now you were asking Mr. Serio about Jarrett Guy in 2017,
- 11 | do you recall that in your professors with him?
- 12 | A. Yes.
- 13 | Q. Does that help you recall whether it was Joseph Bella or
- 14 | Jarrett Guy on that file, C2-16-0087?
- 15 | A. I believe it was Joseph Bella.
- 16 | Q. Okay. So your file that you had on Joseph Bella had an
- 17 | overlap with this number, came up in both your file and the
- 18 | Wayne Anderson case file; is that right?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And this is why the DARTS is getting generated?
- 21 | A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And you wrote in the comments, what was -- withdrawn.
- 23 | What were the remarks?
- 24 | A. My remarks?
- 25 Q. Did you write your own remarks?

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- 2 Q. Okay. What did you write?
- 3 A. Numbers associated with Ron Serio DTO.
- 4 Q. And if we look to Mr. Bongiovanni's case, what did Justin
- 5 | Borst write in the remarks?
- 6 A. Number part of ongoing narcotics investigation in contact
- 7 | with target number 716-830-3226 per S.A. Bongiovanni.
- 8 Q. Per S.A. Bongiovanni; what does that indicate?
- 9 A. If those -- he only knows those remarks because he
- 10 | received the information from Mr. Bongiovanni.
- 11 Q. So Bongiovanni told Borst?
- 12 | A. Yes.
- MR. TRIPI: Okay. Let's zoom out of that, and let's
- 14 | scroll down a little bit further. And let's stop there. And
- 15 | if can we zoom in on this one, please.
- 16 BY MR. TRIPI:
- 17 | Q. We're at page 2 of the document, and we're looking at a
- 18 | Trinity item for 716-812-0664. We've looked at that number
- 19 | several times. Is that associated with Michael Masecchia?
 - 20 A. Yes.
- 21 | MR. TRIPI: Ms. Champoux, can we go to -- just let's
- 22 | verify it. Let's pull up Exhibit 8A at page 134 next to this.
 - 23 BY MR. TRIPI:
 - $24 \mid Q$. And so we see at the top subscription information,
- 11:46AM 25 | there's a different number being subpoenaed in 13-0026 at the

top, right? 1 11:46AM 2 Α. Yes. 11:46AM But in the account details, the account information we 11:46AM have 812-0664 associated with Masecchia; is that right? 11:46AM 11:46AM A. Yes. 11:46AM 6 MR. TRIPI: Ms. Champoux, can we go up a prior page so I can check exhibit -- let's go to 133. And let's scroll 11:46AM back up a little bit higher on 26E. Stay there on 8A. 8 11:46AM 9 go up. All right. 11:46AM 10 Thank you for that. Okay. We can take down 11:46AM Exhibit 8A. Keep up 26E. So again, we can zoom in on this. 11:46AM 11 12 BY MR. TRIPI: 11:47AM 13 What's the comment that you wrote in your DARTS 11:47AM 14 deconfliction for that phone number August 21st, 2018? 11:47AM Numbers associated with Ron Serio DTO. 15 11:47AM 16 And we just looked back at Exhibit 8A. At the time, you 11:47AM 17 had not reviewed Exhibit 8A, the actual Wayne Anderson file 11:47AM 11:47AM 18 in August? 19 No, I had not. 11:47AM 11:47AM 20 Q. Okay. Now you know that there was -- that that number 21 was associated with Mike Masecchia though, right? 11:47AM 22 Α. Yes. 11:47AM

And if we look at the entry for March 20th, 2013, what

were the remarks that Justin Borst wrote into DARTS per

Special Agent Bongiovanni for that Masecchia number?

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11:47AM	1	A. Number part of ongoing narcotics investigation in contact
11:48AM	2	with target number 716-830-3226.
11:48AM	3	Q. And what did he write, or what did Borst write again in
11:48AM	4	another DARTS deconfliction on April 19th, 2013?
11:48AM	5	A. Number part of ongoing narcotics investigation belonging
11:48AM	6	to Michael Masecchia per S.A. Bongiovanni.
11:48AM	7	Q. So, almost a year in August of 2018, about ten months or
11:48AM	8	so before your June 2019 interview of Bongiovanni, he was
11:48AM	9	getting DARTS deconflictions related to Ron Serio and Mike
11:48AM	10	Masecchia through entries that you were putting into DARTS?
11:48AM	11	A. Yes.
11:48AM	12	Q. He never said during your interview when you asked him
11:48AM	13	how he knew of your IOC investigation, he never said: I saw
11:48AM	14	your DARTS entry, so I knew you were investigating Italian
11:48AM	15	Organized Crime. Did he?
11:49AM	16	A. No.
11:49AM	17	Q. Is this an example of the defendant's deconflictions
11:49AM	18	working to give him notice through DARTS?
11:49AM	19	A. Yes.
11:49AM	20	MR. MacKAY: Objection.
11:49AM	21	THE COURT: Sustained.
11:49AM	22	MR. TRIPI: Judge, can we approach on that?
11:49AM	23	THE COURT: Sure.
11:49AM	24	(Sidebar discussion held on the record.)
11:49AM	25	MR. TRIPI: The plain language of my question wasn't

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argumentative or accusatory at all. I asked him: 1 Is this DARTS working for the numbers Bongiovanni put in? 2 I don't understand what's object -- he might not like 3 4 my tone of voice, but I don't understand what the plain 5 language is that's objectionable. This is DARTS working as it's supposed to. I don't -- I just --THE COURT: I don't think there was a question. MR. MacKAY: Judge, the objection was it's 8 9 argumentative because it's argumentative in going to the 10 ultimate issue of whether DARTS is working in line with the theory they're setting up. 11 12 THE COURT: Yeah. So that's -- that's what I 13 understood the question to be, as well. Is DARTS working the 14 way the defendant intended DARTS to. 15 MR. TRIPI: That's not what I said. 16 THE COURT: Well --17 MR. TRIPI: I'm going to re-ask. I'll take a shot at 18 reasking. 19 (End of sidebar discussion.) 20 THE COURT: So the objection is sustained. 21 You can ask another question. 22 BY MR. TRIPI: 23 In this instance, did DARTS work in the manner in which 24 it was intended by design of the database to deconflict 25 numbers associated with Mike Masecchia and Ron Serio?

Yes. 11:50AM 1 Α. Q. Did the defendant, in August of 2018, get notice through 2 11:50AM DARTS by this entry? 11:50AM Α. Yes. 11:50AM So this is an example of DARTS working in the manner in 11:50AM 11:51AM which it's intended, to provide notice between two agents, correct? 11:51AM 8 Yes. 11:51AM Α. 9 Did the defendant ever come over to you, he still worked 11:51AM Q. 10 at the DEA in August, and say, hey, can I help you with 11:51AM Masecchia and Serio? 11:51AM 11 12 Α. No. 11:51AM 13 MR. TRIPI: We can take that down, Ms. Champoux. 11:51AM 14 Can we pull up Government Exhibit 100A.1, and there's 11:51AM DARTS email for -- DARTS email 1-7-2019. 15 11:51AM BY MR. TRIPI: 16 11:51AM Q. Okay. Now we're back to Exhibit 100A.1. This is the 11:51AM 17 11:51AM 18 file materials that were in the defendant's house, scanned, 19 correct? 11:51AM 11:51AM 20 Α. Yes. 21 And this particular one is labeled DARTS email 01-07-2019 11:51AM Q. scanned into that file, or this exhibit, correct? 22 11:52AM 23 Α. Yes. 11:52AM 24 Okay. So who is Shawn Hoerner? 11:52AM Q.

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He was an analyst at DEA.

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- Just like Justin Borst and Steve Bevilacqua whose names 11:52AM 1 we've seen? 2 11:52AM Yes, same kind of position. Same position. 11:52AM Who received this DARTS email from Shawn Hoerner. 11:52AM Anthony Casullo, Angelique Gunton, Nathan Schumaker, 11:52AM 11:52AM Shawn Hoerner's copied again, Amy Wiltse, myself, James McHugh, David Lamp, Joseph Bongiovanni. 11:52AM Q. And let's scroll down a little bit. And we see that 8 11:52AM 9 again it says an investigative overlap was created by, and 11:52AM this one has agent POC, does that mean point of contact? 10 11:53AM 11:53AM 11 Α. Yes. 12 And is that Anthony Casullo? 11:53AM 13 Α. Yes. 11:53AM 14 MR. TRIPI: And can we scroll down a little bit. 11:53AM Just to Trinity item 1 there. 15 11:53AM BY MR. TRIPI: 16 11:53AM 17 Q. On January 7th, 2019, that date was roughly three weeks 11:53AM before Mr. Bongiovanni retired; is that about right? 11:53AM 18 19 Α. Yes. 11:53AM 11:53AM 20 And for the Trinity item 1, the request ran by Special 21 Agent Casullo, what were the remarks that Special Agent 11:53AM 22 Casullo put into DARTS when he deconflicted that number? 11:53AM 23 Which date? Α. 11:53AM
 - 25 A. Phone numbers in contact with Mike Sinatra related to

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burglary and drug -- or related to a burglary and drug 11:53AM 1 trafficking in Buffalo and Niagara County. 2 11:53AM Q. And, so, everybody on that to line that we read earlier, 11:53AM including the defendant, would be able to see that remark? 11:53AM 11:53AM Yes. Okay. And just by way of reminder, Michael Sinatra is 11:54AM one of the people who HSI executed a search warrant for on 11:54AM January 28th, 2019; is that right? 8 11:54AM 9 Yes. Α. 11:54AM 10 Okay. Let's scroll down. Let's go a 11:54AM MR. TRIPI: little bit further down. Stop right there. 11:54AM 11 12 BY MR. TRIPI: 11:54AM 13 Another one I want to look at is this 866-2687 number, 11:54AM 14 we've seen that number earlier today. But does Casullo write 11:54AM the same remark essentially in relation to that number? 15 11:54AM 16 It appears that he entered a list of numbers, and A. Yes. 11:54AM 17 then, you know, whether you enter one number or 15, you put 11:54AM the remarks in once, and then it gets associated with however 11:54AM 18 19 many you entered. 11:54AM 11:54AM 20 And this one is what triggers the email to Bongiovanni; 21 is that a correct understanding of this record? 11:55AM 22 This one would trigger that email, yes. Α. 11:55AM 23 Can you circle for the jury why through the DARTS system Ο. 11:55AM 24 Mr. Bongiovanni's notified? 11:55AM

Show them which -- which file creates the deconfliction

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11:55AM 1 here. A. So, the number that you marked was entered in DARTS with 2 11:55AM that case number at some point. 11:55AM Q. And by that point in time, it had been entered into DARTS 11:55AM in March of 2013? 11:55AM 11:55AM Yes. Α. So, roughly a little less than six years earlier? 11:55AM Q. 8 Α. Yes. 11:55AM 9 And what were the remarks that Justin Borst wrote into 11:55AM Q. 10 DARTS in the remarks section? 11:55AM 11:55AM 11 Number part of ongoing narcotics investigation in contact 12 with target number 716-830-3226 per S.A. Bongiovanni. 11:55AM 13 MR. TRIPI: Okay. Now, Ms. Champoux, let's go and 11:56AM 14 pull up Exhibit 109F. And could we go to the entry for 11:56AM 15 Hot Dog? 11:56AM BY MR. TRIPI: 16 11:56AM We looked at this yesterday, this is Mr. Bongiovanni's 11:56AM 17 phone contacts from his personal phone that you acquired 11:56AM 18 19 during the search, correct? 11:56AM 11:56AM 20 Α. Yes. 21 Is that the same phone number? 11:56AM Q. 22 Α. Yes. 11:56AM 23 MR. TRIPI: Ms. Champoux, please pull up Exhibit 393. 11:56AM BY MR. TRIPI: 24 11:57AM

Is this the photo with Hot Dog with his hand on

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Todaro Sr.'s shoulder? 11:57AM 1 2 Α. Yes. 11:57AM 3 MR. TRIPI: Let's go to Exhibit 8A at 347. 11:57AM BY MR. TRIPI: 11:57AM 5 Is this the administrative subpoena to AT&T in file 11:57AM 11:57AM C2-13-0026 that resulted in that phone number going into DARTS? 11:57AM I think this is the return for that subpoena, but yes, 8 11:57AM 9 that's all connected. 11:57AM 10 Same phone number, same person? 11:57AM 11:57AM 11 Α. Yes. 12 And you had indicated yesterday, I think, that you had 11:57AM 13 reviewed a border crossing where the defendant and Hot Dog or 11:57AM 14 Paul Francoforte had crossed into Canada together? 11:57AM Returning from Canada. 15 Α. 11:57AM 16 Oh, my fault. Okay. 11:57AM Q. 17 You were asked yesterday about phone records and if you 11:58AM looked at some phone records for Mr. Bongiovanni; do you 11:58AM 18 19 remember that? 11:58AM 11:58AM 20 Α. Yes. 21 MR. TRIPI: Ms. Champoux, let's pull up Exhibit 358 11:58AM 22 which is in evidence. 11:58AM 23 Let's scroll down just a little bit. 11:58AM BY MR. TRIPI: 24 11:58AM 25 11:58AM Do you understand this to be the bills related to

Mr. Bongiovanni's DEA cell phone beginning back in 2013? 11:58AM 1 2 Α. Yes. 11:58AM 3 MR. TRIPI: Let's scroll down a little bit. 11:58AM 4 Ms. Champoux, we're going to stay in this year 2013, and let's 11:59AM go to page number 10. And go to December 2nd at 8:07 p.m. 11:59AM BY MR. TRIPI: 11:59AM Do you see a call, a ten-minute call between the 11:59AM defendant and Hot Dog on December 2nd, 2013? 8 11:59AM Yes, it's an incoming call. 11:59AM 10 And is that about -- is that while the Wayne Anderson 11:59AM file was open, C2-13-0026? 11:59AM 11 12 It was still open. 11:59AM 13 In your narcotics investigations, do you call subjects or 11:59AM 14 targets of your investigation that you put into DARTS? 11:59AM MR. MacKAY: Objection. 15 11:59AM 16 THE COURT: Sustained. 11:59AM 17 MR. TRIPI: Let's go to -- I'd like to move into 12:00PM February of 2014 on this record. Let's move down to page 42. 12:00PM 18 19 And go to the top for a moment. Can you go up another page. 12:00PM BY MR. TRIPI: 12:00PM 20 21 The way these bills are printed, you basically have to 12:00PM 22 scroll through the whole year to see the date in the first, 12:00PM 23 right? 12:00PM 24 Α. Yes. 12:00PM

As we get to page 42 here, have we gone through a couple

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years already? 12:00PM 1 2 Α. Yes. 12:00PM 3 So we're gonna go to an entry February 21st, 2014 at 12:00PM 12:29 p.m. Do you see another call between the defendant and 12:01PM Paul Francoforte on the record? 12:01PM 12:01PM There's an outgoing call for one minute, and then A. Yes. an oncoming call for 11 minutes. 12:01PM Right below it, correct? 8 12:01PM Q. 9 Yes. Α. 12:01PM 10 Let's stay in that same year, and let's go to page 48. 12:01PM And we're going to go to March 6th at 12:47 p.m. Do you see 12:01PM 11 12 another call between the defendant and Paul Francoforte? 12:01PM 12:01PM 13 Yes, incoming call for 11 minutes. 14 By incoming call, you mean Francoforte's calling the 12:02PM defendant? 15 12:02PM 16 Yes. Α. 12:02PM 17 Let's stay in that same year, let's go to page number 50. 12:02PM And March 11th at 3:28 p.m. Do you see another call from 12:02PM 18 19 Francoforte to the defendant on that day? 12:02PM 12:02PM 20 Α. Yes. 21 For how long? 12:02PM Q. 22 Six minutes. Α. 12:02PM 23 We'll stay in that same year, let's go to page 52. Q. 12:02PM 24 I'm looking for March 19th at 8:28 p.m. do you see another 12:02PM

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call from Francoforte there?

1 A. Yes.

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- 12:02PM $2 \mid Q$. For how long?
 - 3 A. Five minutes.
 - 4 | Q. For all these calls, the Wayne Anderson file/Ron Serio
 - 5 | file is still open, and the DEA -- the defendant has that
 - 6 | file open still, correct?
 - 7 | A. Yes.
 - 8 Q. Okay. Let's go to that same year, let's go to page 77.
 - 9 | May 21, 2014 at 7:10 p.m. 5/21. And do we see another
 - 10 | incoming call from Hot Dog to the defendant?
 - 11 | A. Yes.
 - 12 | Q. How long is that one?
 - 13 | A. Two minutes.
 - 14 \mid Q. Let's go to May 23rd, 2014 at 4:06 p.m., that should be
 - 15 | page 77 as well. Do we see another incoming call from
 - 16 | Hot Dog to the defendant on that day?
 - 17 A. Yes, for 13 minutes.
 - 18 \mid Q. And again, file C2-13-0026 is still open, correct?
 - 19 A. Yes.
 - 20 | Q. Let's go to page 85, June 17th, 2014, at 4:38 p.m. Is
 - 21 | that another call from Hot Dog to the defendant on that day?
 - 22 A. Yes.
 - 23 | Q. And that one's approximately one minute?
- 12:04PM 24 A. Yes.
- 12:04PM 25 | Q. And do we have another one at 4:50?

- 1 A. Yes, for one minute.
- 2 | Q. Let's go to page 87, June 21st, 2014 at 3:15 p.m. Is
- 3 | this another incoming call from Hot Dog to the defendant?
- 4 A. Yes, for six minutes.
- 5 | Q. Is file C2-13-0026 still open?
- 6 | A. Yes.

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- 7 | Q. Let's go to page number 90. June 25th, 2014, at -- I'm
- 8 | sorry, 3:33 p.m. Is that another incoming call from Hot Dog
- 9 to the defendant?
- 10 A. Yes, for three minutes.
- 11 | Q. Let's go to page 91. I'm looking for June 27th at
- 12 | 9:45 a.m.
- 13 | A. I see it.
- 14 \mid Q. Is that another call from Hot Dog to the defendant?
- 15 A. Yes, for ten minutes.
- 16 | Q. And let's go to August 18th, 2014, that should be
- 17 | page 111, at 12 p.m. Do you see that call?
- 18 A. I do.
- 19 Q. And was that about a one minute outgoing call from the
- 20 | defendant?
- 21 | A. Yes.
- 22 | Q. Let's go to August 24th, 2014, 4:25 p.m., that should be
- 12:06PM 23 | at page 115.
- 12:06PM 24 MR. MacKAY: Judge, I'm going to object at some point
- 12:06PM 25 to cumulativeness under 403.

12:06PM	1	THE COURT: I've been waiting for that.
12:06PM	2	Mr. Tripi, how long are we going to do this?
12:06PM	3	MR. TRIPI: Can we step up to let you know.
12:06PM	4	THE COURT: Come on up.
12:06PM	5	(Sidebar discussion held on the record.)
12:06PM	6	MR. TRIPI: They're all different calls, so each one
12:06PM	7	is not cumulative. They're all through the I'm not even
12:06PM	8	through the time he's got the file open yet. Not even through
12:06PM	9	2015 yet, Judge. And so this is important evidence. He's
12:06PM	10	subpoenaing a number of a person who we just saw the photo
12:06PM	11	and
12:06PM	12	THE COURT: At some point at some point
12:06PM	13	MR. TRIPI: There's 50 calls, I'm through 17 of them.
12:06PM	14	THE COURT: You're going to go through all 50.
12:07PM	15	MR. TRIPI: I think I'm moving quickly through them.
12:07PM	16	THE COURT: Mr. Tripi, if you think this is
12:07PM	17	effective, you go right ahead.
12:07PM	18	MR. TRIPI: I do, Judge.
12:07PM	19	THE COURT: You go right ahead.
12:07PM	20	MR. TRIPI: Thank you.
12:07PM	21	(End of sidebar discussion.)
12:07PM	22	THE COURT: Okay. We're going to keep going.
12:07PM	23	MR. TRIPI: Okay. September 22nd, 2014 at 7:51 p.m.
12:07PM	24	Let's go to page 124. I think 7:51 p.m. 9/22. Yeah.
12:07PM	25	BY MR. TRIPI:
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12:07PM Is that another call from Hot Dog to the defendant? 1 2 12:07PM Α. Yes. For how long? 12:07PM Α. Two minutes. 12:07PM And let's go to page 127. And here September 24th, 2014, 12:07PM 12:07PM I'm looking for 6:05 p.m. Is that another call from Hot Dog to the defendant? 12:07PM Α. Yes. 12:07PM That one's for one minute? 12:07PM Q. 10 12:08PM Α. Yes. 12:08PM 11 Let's go to September 27th, 2014. This should be page 12 127. By this date, is the Wayne Anderson file, the file that 12:08PM 13 Mr. Bongiovanni subpoenaed Francoforte's number, still open? 12:08PM 14 Α. Yes. 12:08PM 15 And how long is this call on September 27th? Q. 12:08PM 16 It's an outgoing call for three minutes. Α. 12:08PM 17 So the defendant called Hot Dog? 12:08PM Q. 12:08PM 18 Α. Yes. 19 Let's go to page 165, this should be January 7th, 2015. 12:08PM 12:08PM 20 At 9:51 p.m. 21 January 7th, 2015, second one from the 12:08PM MR. TRIPI: 22 top, Karen. Thank you. 12:09PM 23 BY MR. TRIPI: 12:09PM And is this a call from the defendant to Hot Dog? 24 12:09PM Q.

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Yes, for six minutes.

And the Wayne Anderson file was still open, that was 12:09PM 1 closed January 28th, 2015; is that right? 12:09PM 2 Α. Yes. 12:09PM 12:09PM Do they continue to talk after that? Let's look at page 186, March 17th, 2015 at 1:29 p.m. Is that an outgoing 12:09PM 12:09PM call from the defendant to Hot Dog for eight minutes? Yes. Α. 12:09PM Let's go to March 25th, 2015, at page 198. I'm looking 8 12:09PM Q. 9 for April 25th at 6:23 p.m. Does the defendant call Hot Dog 12:10PM 10 again? 12:10PM 12:10PM 11 Α. Yes. 12 Q. For how long? 12:10PM 13 Α. Two minutes. 12:10PM 14 Let's go to April 26th, at 2:25 p.m. Does the defendant 12:10PM call Hot Dog again? 15 12:10PM 16 Yes. Α. 12:10PM 17 MR. TRIPI: Ms. Champoux, let's just search now that 12:10PM number, 716-866-2687, can we do that? How many -- may the 12:10PM 18 19 record reflect the search indicated there are 50 entries. 12:10PM 12:10PM 20 And, Ms. Champoux, can you just keep clicking through 21 them and we'll go through it that way. 12:10PM 22 May the record reflect we've clicked through 50 of 12:12PM 23 them. 12:12PM BY MR. TRIPI: 24 12:12PM

Is it your understanding that the last entry, let's go to

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page 558 in the bills here, so we're in 19013167 bills pdf of 1 12:12PM Exhibit 358. 2 12:12PM Is it your understanding the last entry is May 9th, 2018, 12:12PM at 2:26 p.m. 12:12PM 12:12PM That appears to be, yes. For this portion of the records? 12:12PM Q. Α. Yes. 12:12PM And is that an eight-minute call? 8 12:12PM Q. 9 It's an eight-minute incoming phone call. 12:12PM Α. 10 Okay. So we've covered from 2013 to 2018. And just to 12:12PM 12:12PM 11 summarize, there was communication through all of those 12 years? 12:12PM 12:12PM 13 Α. Yes. 14 MR. TRIPI: And, Ms. Champoux, if we close out of 12:12PM that, and briefly open the Volte spreadsheet. 15 12:12PM BY MR. TRIPI: 16 12:13PM We're opening an Excel spreadsheet now, 190131677, 12:13PM 17 V-O-L-T-E. 12:13PM 18 19 Special Agent Ryan is it your understanding that when 12:13PM 12:13PM 20 records are of a certain age, only bills like we looked at in 21 those pdfs are available, but closer in time to the subpoena, 12:13PM sometimes call detail records become available? 22 12:13PM Yes. 23 Α. 12:13PM And is that a what a Volte spreadsheet is? 24 12:13PM Q. 25 For Verizon, yes.

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12:13PM	1	Q. For Verizon. Thank you.
12:13PM	2	MR. TRIPI: I just want to look at one here.
12:13PM	3	Ms. Champoux, can we go to January 28th, 2019. Can you expand
12:14PM	4	some of these columns first, expand B and C so they can see.
12:14PM	5	Can you expand B. All right. Thank you.
12:14PM	6	Now go down to January 28th, 2019, please. We're
12:14PM	7	past it.
12:14PM	8	BY MR. TRIPI:
12:14PM	9	Q. Okay. Do you see an incoming call from Hot Dog to
12:14PM	10	Mr. Bongiovanni's DEA phone that day?
12:14PM	11	A. I'm trying to figure out the direction.
12:14PM	12	Q. Do you need to see the top?
12:14PM	13	MR. TRIPI: Go back up to the top, Ms. Champoux, so
12:15PM	14	he can see what E and F are. Scroll all the way to the top.
12:15PM	15	THE WITNESS: Okay. So, E is the call number column,
12:15PM	16	thank you.
12:15PM	17	MR. TRIPI: Now go back down, Ms. Champoux, to
12:15PM	18	January 28th, 2019. It should be 1407 GMT.
12:15PM	19	THE COURT: Folks, we're going to take our second
12:16PM	20	break now.
12:16PM	21	Please remember my instructions about not talking
12:16PM	22	about the case and not making up your mind. We'll see you
12:16PM	23	back here in about ten or 15 minutes.
12:16PM	24	(Jury excused at 12:16 p.m.)
12:16PM	25	THE COURT: Anything before we break from the

12:16PM	1	defense?
12:16PM	2	MR. MacKAY: No, Your Honor.
12:16PM	3	THE COURT: From the government?
12:16PM	4	MR. TRIPI: No, Your Honor.
12:16PM	5	THE COURT: Okay. See you in a few minutes.
12:16PM	6	THE CLERK: All rise.
12:16PM	7	(Off the record at 12:16 p.m.)
12:32PM	8	(Back on the record at 12:32 p.m.)
12:32PM	9	(Jury not present.)
12:32PM	10	THE CLERK: All rise.
12:32PM	11	THE COURT: Please be seated.
12:32PM	12	THE CLERK: We are back on the record for the
12:32PM	13	continuation of the jury trial in case number 19-cr-227,
12:32PM	14	United States of America versus Joseph Bongiovanni.
12:33PM	15	All counsel and parties are present.
12:33PM	16	THE COURT: Okay. Are we ready to go?
12:33PM	17	MR. TRIPI: Yes, Your Honor, thank you.
12:33PM	18	THE COURT: Anything?
12:33PM	19	MR. MacKAY: No.
12:33PM	20	THE COURT: Great. Let's bring them in.
12:34PM	21	(Jury seated at 12:34 p.m.)
12:34PM	22	THE COURT: The record will reflect that all our
12:34PM	23	jurors are present.
12:34PM	24	I remind the witness he's still under oath.
12:34PM	25	Mr. Tripi, you may continue.
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MR. TRIPI: Thank you. 12:34PM 1 2 I'd like to show you one more call related to Paul 12:34PM 3 Francoforte, and we were having a little trouble before with 12:34PM 4 the spreadsheet. I think we got that squared away. 12:34PM I thank the Court and the jury for its indulgence. 12:34PM 5 12:34PM 6 Let's pull that up, Ms. Champoux, the 19013167 V-O-L-T-E spreadsheet. We've honed in on an entry at row 2511 12:34PM dated January 28th, 2019. 8 12:35PM BY MR. TRIPI: 9 12:35PM 10 And you've oriented yourself to this spreadsheet now. 12:35PM Can you tell the jury what this call is? 12:35PM 11 12 It's a call from 866-2687 to 818-0966 for 15 minutes. 12:35PM 13 So that's Francoforte calling to Bongiovanni? 12:35PM Ο. 14 Yes. 12:35PM Α. 15 Q. For 15 minutes or seconds? 12:35PM 16 Actually, no, that's probably seconds. Now that I see 12:35PM Α. 17 the rest of those numbers without seeing the top. 12:35PM That same day, January 28th, 2019, is that the same day 12:35PM 18 19 that HSI executed a search warrant at Michael Sinatra's 12:35PM 12:35PM 20 residence? 21 Yes. 12:35PM Α. 22 Is there a familial relationship between Paul Francoforte 12:35PM Q. 23 and Michael Sinatra? 12:35PM 24 Yes. 12:35PM Α.

And what is that relationship?

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Michael Sinatra is married to Paul Francoforte wife's 12:35PM 1 daughter. 2 12:36PM Is there any explanation documented in any report in this 12:36PM defendant's file, C2-13-0026, explaining Paul Francoforte's 12:36PM connection to anyone in that file? 12:36PM 12:36PM None that I saw, no. Α. MR. TRIPI: You can take that down, Ms. Champoux. 12:36PM BY MR. TRIPI: 8 12:36PM 9 Yesterday you were shown Exhibit 72A-55. 12:36PM 10 Can we pull that up very briefly. And I 12:36PM MR. TRIPI: think -- you can zoom in on 14, if we could. 12:36PM 11 12 BY MR. TRIPI: 12:36PM 13 Mr. MacKay directed you to a person in row number 14, 12:36PM 14 first name Wayne; do you remember that? 12:36PM 15 Α. Yes. 12:36PM 16 In this -- in this case in the investigation you 12:36PM 17 conducted, other than Wayne Anderson, did you identify any 12:37PM Wayne that was connected to Joe Bongiovanni? 12:37PM 18 19 Α. No. 12:37PM 12:37PM 20 Did you identify any Wayne that had any connection to Lou 21 Selva? 12:37PM 22 Α. No. 12:37PM 23 Did you identify any Wayne other than Wayne Anderson that Q. 12:37PM 24 had any connection with Anthony Gerace? 12:37PM

MR. MacKAY: Objection to this line of questioning at

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this point as relevant to what's connected to Joe Bongiovanni. 12:37PM 1 THE COURT: Yeah, I agree. What's the point, 2 12:37PM Mr. Tripi? 12:37PM 3 12:37PM MR. TRIPI: I'll withdraw as to Bongiovanni. 12:37PM 5 re-ask it. BY MR. TRIPI: 6 12:37PM Did you identify any other Wayne that had a connection to 12:37PM Anthony Gerace other than Wayne Anderson? 8 12:37PM 9 MR. MacKAY: Objection. 12:37PM 10 THE COURT: Yeah, sustained. I don't understand what 12:37PM the point is. How do we know this Wayne is connected to 12:37PM 11 12 anybody -- there's thousands, maybe millions of people in this 12:37PM 13 world named Wayne, aren't there? 12:37PM 14 MR. TRIPI: I think there's a logical inference to be 12:37PM drawn from the question, Judge, but if the Court disagrees, 15 12:37PM I'll move on. 16 12:37PM 17 THE COURT: Yeah, please. 12:37PM BY MR. TRIPI: 12:37PM 18 19 I'll ask it one different way. The only Wayne Anderson 12:37PM 12:38PM 20 identified in this investigation is the Wayne Anderson that's 21 file title C2-13-0026; is that right? 12:38PM 22 Yes. Α. 12:38PM 23 MR. TRIPI: We can take that down. Ms. Champoux, can 12:38PM 24 we pull up Exhibit 310D. 12:38PM 25 BY MR. TRIPI: 12:38PM

12:38PM Those were the text messages that you reviewed all day 1 yesterday essentially; do you recall that? 2 12:38PM I do. 12:38PM Α. Yesterday, Mr. MacKay cross-examined you about 12:38PM 12:38PM communications and gaps in communication in the text messages, generally; do you remember that line of 12:38PM questioning? 12:38PM 8 Α. Yes. 12:38PM 9 Okay. But you've reviewed at least some of the phone 12:38PM Q. 10 records associated with Mr. Gerace and Mr. Bongiovanni; is 12:38PM 12:38PM 11 that true? 12 Α. Yes. 12:38PM 13 In between those gaps in text messages, did you observe 12:38PM 14 phone contact? 12:38PM 15 Α. Yes. 12:38PM 16 I'd like to just go through some examples of that. Q. 12:38PM 17 12:39PM MR. TRIPI: We can take this down Ms. Champoux. let's pull up Government Exhibit 359. And I'm looking for the 12:39PM 18 19 pdf 190115566 billed calls 2014 2015. 12:39PM BY MR. TRIPI: 12:39PM 20 21 Q. And I'd like to -- so it's your understanding that the 12:39PM 22 beginning of this begins in 2014, then we go into 2015, do 12:39PM 23 you see that? 12:39PM 24 A. Well, is this December 2013 or 2014? Can I see when this 12:39PM

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bill is due?

12:39PM I think we have to go to the first batch. 1 I think we're at the top page. 2 12:39PM Α. MR. TRIPI: One moment. Let's zoom out of this, 12:40PM Ms. Champoux. And let's go to billed calls 2012, 2013 for a 12:40PM moment. Go all the way to the bottom. 12:40PM BY MR. TRIPI: 12:40PM Q. Okay. So you see the last date there, end of 2013 is 12:40PM 12/25? 8 12:40PM Yes. 12:40PM Α. 10 So let's go to the next pdf now. We're still in 12:40PM 2013 here? 12:40PM 11 12 12/26/2013. 12:40PM 13 Now you're oriented? 12:40PM Q. 14 Yes. Thank you. 12:40PM Α. 15 Q. You're welcome. 12:40PM 16 MR. TRIPI: I'm looking for a call January 10th, 12:40PM 17 2015, Ms. Champoux, and I'd like to go to page 654 of this 12:40PM pdf. 12:41PM 18 19 MR. MacKAY: Judge, I'm going to object at this point 12:41PM 12:41PM 20 as beyond the scope. I believe my cross only focused on the 21 June 30th cottage time and then I think it's post November 12:41PM 22 2017. 12:41PM 23 MR. TRIPI: Judge, I disagree. I think he 12:41PM cross-examined him generally about gaps in communication. 24 12:41PM

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THE COURT:

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12:41PM MR. TRIPI: Gaps in communication regarding the text 1 2 messages. 12:41PM I'll allow it. I'll allow it. 3 THE COURT: 12:41PM MR. TRIPI: Looking for a call January 10th 12:41PM between -- okay. Thank you. You caught it for me. 12:41PM 5 BY MR. TRIPI: 12:41PM So we see this is the call detail record we're looking at 12:41PM for Mr. Gerace; do you see that? 8 12:41PM Yes. Α. 12:41PM 10 And do you see a number that -- that's associated with 12:41PM Mr. Bongiovanni on January 10th, what is it, 2015 in this 12:41PM 11 12 record? 12:41PM 12:41PM 13 Yes, that's 7:12 p.m. Α. 14 And is that an incoming or outgoing call? 12:42PM That is an outgoing call from Mr. Gerace. 15 12:42PM Α. 16 So that's from Mr. Gerace to Mr. Bongiovanni Q. 12:42PM 17 January 10th? 12:42PM 12:42PM 18 Α. Yes. 19 MR. TRIPI: Okay. If we can go to page 704. 12:42PM 12:42PM 20 look at February 16th, at 2:40. 21 BY MR. TRIPI: 12:42PM 22 Do we see a call there from Mr. Gerace to 12:42PM 23 Mr. Bongiovanni? 12:42PM 24 Yes. 2:45 p.m. for six minutes. 12:42PM Α. 25 MR. TRIPI: All right. Now Ms. Champoux, I'd like 12:42PM

12:42PM you to go to Exhibit 358 for a moment. And I'd like you to 1 open the bills at the top. 2 12:43PM BY MR. TRIPI: 12:43PM Q. We're in Exhibit 358 now. This is Mr. Bongiovanni's 12:43PM billed records, we looked at those earlier; do you see that? 12:43PM 12:43PM A. Yes. MR. TRIPI: Ms. Champoux, can we go to page 177. 12:43PM Looking for a call that same day, February 16th, 2015. 8 12:43PM BY MR. TRIPI: 9 12:43PM 12:43PM 10 Do you see a call to Mr. Gerace? Yes, at 2:40 for one minute. 12:43PM 11 Α. 12 Q. From Mr. Bongiovanni? 12:43PM 13 Α. Yes. 12:43PM 14 So that's -- is that an example of them calling each 12:43PM Q. 15 other? 12:43PM 16 Yes. Α. 12:43PM 17 Two-way communication? 12:43PM Q. 12:43PM 18 Α. Yes. 19 Now in your interview with Mr. Bongiovanni, he indicated 12:43PM 12:43PM 20 to you the communication was one way? 21 Yes, that's correct. 12:44PM Α. 22 I'd like to stay in this exhibit, and walk through a 12:44PM 23 couple examples. Okay? 12:44PM 24 MR. TRIPI: Ms. Champoux, if we can go to page 211, 12:44PM

call June 6th, 2015 at 3:55 p.m.

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12:44PM BY MR. TRIPI: 1 Is that an example of a call from Mr. Bongiovanni to 2 12:44PM Mr. Gerace? 12:44PM Α. Yes. 12:44PM And what's the duration? 12:44PM Q. 12:44PM Six minutes. Α. I'd like to stay in the same exhibit. Let's go to 12:44PM page 212, looking for a call on that day. June 10th. 8 12:44PM 9 Is this an example of a nine-minute call June 10th, 2015, 12:44PM 10 from Mr. Bongiovanni to Mr. Gerace? 12:44PM Yes, at 6:29 p.m. 12:45PM 11 Α. 12 And then you see two calls below that, a call from 12:45PM 13 Mr. Bongiovanni to 903-1654? 12:45PM 14 I see one above to 1654. Oh, I see it. 12:45PM Α. Is that 903-1654, is that Lou Selva's phone number? 15 Q. 12:45PM 16 Α. Yes. 12:45PM 17 Let's go to a call July 19th, it's going to be at 12:45PM Q. page 226, 3:01 p.m. Is that another example of a call in 12:45PM 18 19 Exhibit 358 from Mr. Bongiovanni to Mr. Gerace on July --12:45PM 12:45PM 20 that one's July 19th? 21 A. Yes, at 3:01 p.m. for six minutes. 12:46PM 22 I'm looking next for a call July 21st, 2015, it's going 12:46PM 23 to be at page 227. This will be at 9:30 a.m. on July 21st. 12:46PM 24 9:34 a.m. Sorry, I misspoke. Is this another call from 12:46PM

Mr. Bongiovanni to Mr. Gerace?

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- 1 A. Yes, for seven minutes.
- 2 Q. I'd like to go to August 1st, 2015. It's going to be
- 3 | page 234. It should be at 6:18 p.m. Is that another example
- 4 | of a call from Mr. Bongiovanni to Mr. Gerace?
- 5 A. Yes, for two minutes.
- 6 | Q. I'd like to go to page 244. It should be a call at
- 7 | 7:25 p.m. on 9/1. Is that an example of a call
- 8 | September 21st from Mr. Bongiovanni to Mr. Gerace at
- 9 | 7:25 p.m.?
- 10 A. Yes.

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- 11 | Q. For how long?
- 12 | A. Two minutes.
- 13 Q. I'd like to go to September 15th at 9:58 p.m. That
- 14 | should be at page 246 at 9:58 p.m. Is that another example
- 15 of a call September 12th, 2015 from Mr. Bongiovanni to
- 16 Mr. Gerace at 9:58 p.m.?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And that was for a minute?
- 19 A. One minute.
- 20 Q. Next I'm looking for a call October 23rd, 2015, at
- 21 | 12:48 p.m. That should be at page 258, at 12:48 p.m. on the
- 22 | 23rd. And is that an example of an 11-minute call from
- 23 | Mr. Bongiovanni to Mr. Gerace on that date, October 23rd?
- 24 A. Yes.
 - 25 | Q. Do those calls that we've just gone through fill some of

12:48PM the gaps in the text messaging that was in Exhibit 310D? 1 2 Α. Yes. 12:48PM MR. MacKAY: Objection, argumentative. 12:48PM MR. TRIPI: I'm trying to frame it. 12:48PM No, overruled. 12:48PM 5 THE COURT: BY MR. TRIPI: 12:48PM 6 Was there also a gap in texts in the text thread that you 12:48PM looked at from roughly November 30th, 2015 to February 22nd, 8 12:48PM 2016 where you didn't see a lot of texts from Bongiovanni 12:49PM 10 back to Gerace? 12:49PM 12:49PM 11 Α. Yes. 12 In that gap in time, were there some text -- withdrawn, 12:49PM 13 some phone calls between the two of them? 12:49PM 14 Α. Yes. 12:49PM 15 MR. TRIPI: I'd like to stay in this exhibit, 12:49PM 16 Ms. Champoux. And let's go to a date January 6th, 2016, at 12:49PM 17 It should be on page 289. And, again, that time is 12:49PM 8:16 a.m. 12:49PM 18 8:16 a.m. on January 6th. 19 BY MR. TRIPI: 12:49PM 12:49PM 20 Is this another example of a call from Mr. Bongiovanni to 21 Mr. Gerace during that -- on that day? 12:49PM It's a two-minute call. 22 Α. Yes. 12:49PM 23 And is there another call at 8:28 a.m. that same day? Q. 12:49PM Yes, for four minutes. 24 12:49PM Α.

Is that other another outgoing call from Mr. Bongiovanni

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to Mr. Gerace? 12:50PM 1 2 Α. It is. 12:50PM Was there another sort of window of time in the text 12:50PM 12:50PM messages that you looked at in Exhibit 310D from roughly February 22nd, 2016 until April 19th where there were less 12:50PM 12:50PM text communications where Mr. Bongiovanni was texting back? Yes. Α. 12:50PM But were there -- were there calls that you saw during 8 12:50PM Q. 9 that window of time? 12:50PM 10 A. Yes. 12:50PM 12:50PM 11 MR. TRIPI: Ms. Champoux, can we go to April 1, 2016? 12 This should be in the same exhibit on page 321. It's going to 12:50PM 12:50PM 13 be April 1st, 2016 at 9:37 a.m. 14 BY MR. TRIPI: 12:50PM Do you see a call from Mr. Bongiovanni to Mr. Gerace that 15 12:50PM 16 day? 12:50PM 17 That's an incoming call. So --12:50PM Α. I'm sorry --12:50PM 18 Q. 19 -- the other direction for 31 minutes. 12:50PM 12:51PM 20 Q. So from Mr. Gerace to Mr. Bongiovanni? 21 12:51PM Α. Yes. 22 And how long was it for? 12:51PM Q. 23 31 minutes. Α. 12:51PM 24 And I'd like to stick with that same date, April 21st, 12:51PM Q.

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1 A. I see it.

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- 2 Q. In which direction is that call?
- 3 A. From Mr. Bongiovanni to Mr. Gerace for two minutes.
- 4 | Q. Were you able to look at or ascertain what day of the
- 5 | week it was on April 1st, 2016, if you -- if you recall?
- 6 | A. I recall doing it, I can't recall the day right now.
- 7 Q. Let's go to April 18th, 2016. Let's look at a call on
- 8 | that date, it's going to be at page 326, at 10:36 p.m.
- 9 Is that an incoming call from Mr. Gerace to
- 10 Mr. Bongiovanni at 10:36 p.m. that day?
- 11 A. Yes, for six minutes.
- 12 | Q. Again, this is addressing that window from February to
- 13 | April of 2016, right?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 \mid Q. And then if we go -- if you go back to 310D, after that
- 16 | call, texts pick back up; is that right? On April 19th,
- 17 | 2016?
- 18 | MR. TRIPI: Can we scroll down 310D to texts in April
- 19 of 2016, Ms. Champoux? Scroll up a little bit further. Yeah,
- 20 | right there.
- 21 BY MR. TRIPI:
- 22 | Q. So we had some text communication in March, and then we
- 23 | pick back up April 19th; is that right?
- 24 A. Yes.
- MR. TRIPI: You can take that down. Go back to

Exhibit 358, Ms. Champoux. 12:53PM 1 BY MR. TRIPI: 2 12:53PM 3 I'd like to show you another one. Looking for May 28th, 12:53PM 2016, should be at page 340 at 2:16 p.m. May 28th, page 340, 12:53PM 2:16 p.m. 12:53PM 12:54PM Do you see calls -- a call on that day from the defendant to Mr. Gerace? 12:54PM Α. Yes, for four minutes. 8 12:54PM 9 And then later that day, do you see two more calls? 12:54PM Q. For two minutes, and then for three minutes. 10 12:54PM Α. Yes. So there are calls at 2:16, 3:37, and 3:44 p.m.? 12:54PM 11 Q. 12 Α. Yes. 12:54PM 12:54PM 13 And, again, those were just some of the calls you looked Q. 14 at, you didn't look at all the records; is that right? 12:54PM That's right. 15 Α. 12:54PM 16 MR. TRIPI: We can take that down, Ms. Champoux. 12:54PM BY MR. TRIPI: 17 12:54PM You were asked some questions yesterday about what 12:55PM 18 19 Special Agent Casullo did or didn't do before the Ron Serio 12:55PM 12:55PM 20 proffer; do you recall being asked questions about what 21 Special Agent Casullo did? 12:55PM 22 Α. Yes. 12:55PM 23 Fair to say Special Agent Casullo will know more about 12:55PM 24 what he did or didn't do before that proffer than you would? 12:55PM

MR. MacKAY: Objection.

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MR. TRIPI: He was asked to speculate what someone 12:55PM 1 else did yesterday, I'm just trying to address that. 2 12:55PM THE COURT: What's the basis of the objection? 12:55PM 12:55PM MR. MacKAY: Withdrawn. BY MR. TRIPI: 12:55PM 5 Fair to say -- can you answer that question? 12:55PM He will know better. Α. 12:55PM He'll know better, right? 8 12:55PM Q. Yes. 12:55PM Α. 10 All right. I want to cover one more thing with you, and 12:55PM 12:55PM 11 then we'll be done. 12 MR. TRIPI: If we can pull up 100A.1 and go back to 12:55PM 13 that OCDETF report that we looked at, Ms. Champoux. 12:56PM 14 BY MR. TRIPI: 12:56PM Q. We looked at this yesterday. This is the Frank Tripi 15 12:56PM 16 OCDETF report, for lack of a better way to describe it, 12:56PM 17 correct? 12:56PM 12:56PM 18 A. Yes. 19 MR. TRIPI: Okay. Ms. Champoux, let's show them 12:56PM 12:56PM 20 Exhibit 310AT, please. Take this one down for a moment. 21 BY MR. TRIPI: 12:56PM 22 And these were the contacts in Mr. Gerace's phone; do you 12:56PM 23 remember that? 12:56PM 24 A. Yes. 12:56PM 25 12:56PM MR. TRIPI: Ms. Champoux, can we show the entry for

Frank Tripi in this record? 12:56PM 1 BY MR. TRIPI: 2 12:56PM Do you see that phone number, there 716-429-06 -- I'm 3 12:57PM 12:57PM sorry, 429-6445? 12:57PM Yes. Yes, I do. 12:57PM And although the last name is spell wrong, that's a contact in Peter Gerace's phone? 12:57PM 8 Yes. 12:58PM Α. 9 And yesterday you indicated you reviewed contacts in Ron 12:58PM Q. 10 Serio's phone as well? 12:58PM 12:58PM 11 Α. Yes. 12 He had the same number and the same contact for Frank 12:58PM 13 Tripi, correct? 12:58PM 14 Yes. 12:58PM Α. MR. TRIPI: And I'd like to pull up Exhibit 30, 15 12:58PM 16 Ms. Champoux. 12:58PM BY MR. TRIPI: 17 12:58PM Now you indicated yesterday Mr. Bongiovanni's retirement 12:58PM 18 19 was on or about February 1st, 2019; do you recall that? 12:58PM 12:58PM 20 Α. Yes. 21 MR. TRIPI: Can we go down to October training, is 12:58PM October trainings in 2018? I was wrong. It's September, 22 12:58PM 23 right there. 12:58PM 24 BY MR. TRIPI: 12:58PM 25 12:58PM Do you see, preretirement seminar he took on

September 21st, 2018? 12:59PM 1 2 Α. Yes. 12:59PM Is that date, September 21st, 2018, a date after the Ron 12:59PM Serio proffer and a date after Casullo reported the 12:59PM race-related comments? 12:59PM 12:59PM A. Yes. Okay. Now let's go take a look at -- go back to 12:59PM Exhibit 358 at page 610. And we're in the 190131677 bills 8 12:59PM pdf. And we're in 2018 billing cycle; do you see that? 12:59PM 10 A. Yes. 12:59PM So we're gonna go to a call, October 28th, 2018, with 12:59PM 11 12 429-6445. We're looking for --12:59PM 13 MR. TRIPI: I might have misspoke, October 18th, 01:00PM 14 Ms. Champoux. It's right here. Can you highlight that? 01:00PM BY MR. TRIPI: 15 01:00PM 16 Do you see several calls actually on that day with that 01:00PM Frank Tripi phone? 5:30, 5:38? 17 01:00PM Yes, I see them. 01:00PM 18 Α. 19 Q. And do you see another one on October 19th at 2:14 p.m.? 01:00PM 01:00PM 20 Α. Yes. 21 I misspoke, I got that one wrong. I'm sorry. 01:00PM Q. 22 two. Do you see those? 01:00PM 23 October 18th at 5:30 and 5:38 p.m. 01:00PM Α. 24 And the outgoing call is from Mr. Bongiovanni to that 01:00PM Q.

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number, 429-6445?

- Yes. 1 Α. 01:01PM And if we go to page 611, I'm looking for -- all right, 2 01:01PM now that's the -- October of 2018 is about four months or so 01:01PM 01:01PM and change before Mr. Bongiovanni retired? Yes. 01:01PM MR. TRIPI: And let's go back to 100A.1 and go to the 01:01PM OCDETF report. Let's scroll down. Scroll down to the 01:01PM narrative sort of the second-to-last page. Scroll up a little 8 01:02PM 9 bit. Keep going. 01:02PM BY MR. TRIPI: 10 01:02PM As she's doing that, did you see some dates in here 01:02PM 11 12 earlier -- there it is, March 11th, 2013? 01:02PM 13 Yes. 01:02PM Α. 14 That's a date around the time this draft is being 01:02PM prepared, fair to say? 15 01:02PM 16 I would say that this draft is prepared sometime soon 01:02PM 17 after that. 01:02PM Okay. A little over five years later, this defendant is 01:02PM 18 19 in phone contact with Frank Tripi from the records we just 01:02PM 01:02PM 20 saw? 21 Yes. 01:02PM Α. 22 And then this document is found in the defendant's 01:02PM
- 01:02PM 24 A. After retirement, yes.

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MR. TRIPI: Just a moment, Judge.

basement at retirement; is that right?

01:03PM	1	I don't have any further redirect. Thank you,		
01:03PM	2	Your Honor.		
01:03PM	3	THE COURT: Mr. MacKay?		
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01:03PM	5	RECROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. Mackay:		
01:03PM	6	Q. Okay. I'll try to be brief here, Agent Ryan. I know		
01:03PM	7	you've been here for a few days.		
01:03PM	8	MR. MacKAY: All right. So, Ms. Champoux, can we		
01:03PM	9	pull up Government Exhibit 310AT.		
01:03PM	10	MR. TRIPI: Did you say AT?		
01:03PM	11	MR. MacKAY: Yeah, AT, yeah, what we were looking at		
01:03PM	12	with the contacts.		
01:03PM	13	MR. TRIPI: I'm sorry.		
01:03PM	14	MR. MacKAY: Actually, no, let me skip this. You can		
01:03PM	15	take this down. Can we go back to Exhibit 358,		
01:03PM	16	Mr. Bongiovanni's call records.		
01:04PM	17	Pull up the 190 bills. And can we again control F		
01:04PM	18	Mr. Tripi's number, 429-6445.		
01:04PM	19	Looks like it's not searching for it exactly.		
01:04PM	20	MS. CHALBECK: Parker, it's easier if you just do the		
01:04PM	21	last four.		
01:04PM	22	MR. MacKAY: Okay. Can you do just 6445?		
01:04PM	23	BY MR. MacKAY:		
01:04PM	24	Q. Okay. So it comes up three times here you see in the		
01:04PM	25	search, correct?		
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Yes. 1 Α. 01:04PM October 18th, here? 2 Okay. 01:04PM Q. I see that. 01:04PM Α. 01:04PM Can we go to the next -- and then those two that Mr. Tripi asked you about, Mr. Tripi asked you about 01:04PM Mr. Tripi's calls. So all three are on October 18th, 01:04PM correct? 01:04PM October 18th, 2018, yes. 8 Α. 01:04PM 9 Are you aware of whether Mr. Bongiovanni was in contact 01:05PM Q. 10 with Mr. Tripi about buying a Roomba vacuum on Facebook 01:05PM marketplace? 01:05PM 11 12 I'm not aware. 01:05PM Do you know whether the FBI, prior to this trial, 13 01:05PM 14 interviewed Mr. Tripi about that situation, alleged 01:05PM situation? 15 01:05PM 16 I don't know. Α. 01:05PM And you don't know whether he confirmed that, do you? 17 01:05PM Q. 01:05PM 18 Α. No. 19 MR. MacKAY: You can take that down, Ms. Champoux, 01:05PM 01:05PM 20 thank you. 21 BY MR. MacKAY: 01:05PM 22 Okay. You were asked about what Mr. -- Agent Casullo may 01:05PM 23 or may not have done prior to the July 2018 Ron Serio 01:05PM 24 proffer, correct? 01:05PM

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01:05PM And obviously the way you reported it, it was he's 1 Okay. gonna know what he knows, correct? 01:05PM 2 Α. Yes. 01:05PM 01:05PM But fair to say from what you were able to observe in your dealings in the proffer, Mr. Casullo came to the proffer 01:05PM prepared to talk about Ron Serio and the subjects that were 01:06PM discussed? 01:06PM 8 Α. Yes. 01:06PM 9 Appeared -- you could tell, again, he didn't go in blind, 01:06PM Q. 10 01:06PM correct? 01:06PM 11 Α. It didn't look that way, no. 12 He appeared to know about the topics being discussed on 01:06PM 13 Mr. Serio, correct? 01:06PM 14 Α. Yes. 01:06PM You were shown a lot of phone logs here with the 15 Okay. 01:06PM 16 phone bills, you went through with Mr. Tripi, and you saw all 01:06PM 17 the dates; do you remember those? 01:06PM I don't remember each date, but I remember doing it. 01:06PM 18 19 No, but you remember the format of those bills; is that 01:06PM 01:06PM 20 fair to say? 21 Yes. Α. 01:06PM 22 What those looked like? I just don't want to go through 01:06PM 23 them all. But is it your experience typically when you see 01:06PM 24 an entry on a phone bill and you see a one-minute entry,

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- 2 A. I think it's at least connected.
- 3 | Q. But beyond that, it's not clear whether there's any
- 4 | contact on a one-minute call, correct?
- 5 A. Something up to a minute, it could be a voicemail, it
- 6 | could be a brief conversation.
- 7 | Q. Right. It could be as little as, like, a second or two
- 8 | long call and just registers as one minute is the least
- 9 | amount of time that shows on the bills, correct?
- 10 | A. Yes.
- 11 | Q. Okay.
- 12 MR. MacKAY: Okay. Can we show Government Exhibit
- 13 | 26E please, Ms. Champoux.
- 14 BY MR. MacKAY:
- 15 | Q. Okay. We went through this before. This is the DARTS
- 16 | email. And the way you described it is the lower part is
- 17 | sort of the original DARTS email that Mr. Bongiovanni would
- 18 | have received on August 21st, 2018, correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 | Q. And when we went through this, it would have alerted him
- 21 | based on what you can see, about you doing something in
- 22 | relation to the Ron Serio DTO investigation, correct?
- 23 A. I entered those phone numbers.
- 24 | Q. Right. So my question, though, was this email would have
- 01:08PM 25 shown him that you were working on something associated with

- 1 | investigating a Ron Serio DTO, correct?
- 2 A. You mean, you're asking me to decide what he concluded?
- 3 | Q. No. I'm asking you not what he concluded, but what he's
- 4 | able to see based on what he receives here in this record.
- 5 | A. And I'm just saying it's, again, like, yesterday or
- 6 | whatever it was that we went through it, it's specific to
- 7 | telephone numbers. So I'm just trying to keep my answers
- 8 | specific to what the email shows.
- 9 Q. Right. I mean --
- 10 A. I entered a phone number, and I said it was associated to
- 11 | the Ron Serio DTO. And that's the extent of what it shows.
- 12 | Q. Yes. And maybe we're dancing around it, but ultimately
- 13 | this email Mr. Bongiovanni receives, correct?
- 14 | A. Yes.

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- 15 | Q. And it's got something to do with the Ron Serio DTO,
- 16 | correct? From what you can see on the email?
- 17 | A. The phone number is associated with the Ron Serio DTO.
- 18 | Yes.
- 19 Q. And that record shows that you're doing some work with
- 20 | that phone number, correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And then what Mr. Bongiovanni does after that, about an
- 23 | hour or more after that email is sent, he appears to forward
- 24 | it to his boss, correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

01:09PM Greg Yensan was his group boss at that time, correct? 1 01:09PM 2 Α. Yes. So what we can tell just by looking at the email is 01:09PM 01:09PM Mr. Bongiovanni received this, and he forwarded it to his boss? 01:09PM Α. Yes. 01:09PM And just to be clear, at this time, Greg Yensan is the 01:09PM D-57 boss, group supervisor in which Mr. Bongiovanni is in 01:09PM 8 9 that group, correct? 01:09PM 10 That's correct. 01:09PM Α. But you were over in D-58 at the time, correct? 01:09PM 11 12 Yes. 01:09PM 13 MR. MacKAY: Now, you can take that down, 01:09PM 14 Ms. Champoux. Thank you. 01:09PM BY MR. MacKAY: 15 01:09PM 16 You were asked some questions on redirect about the term 01:09PM "close relationship;" do you remember that? 17 01:10PM 01:10PM 18 Α. Yes. 19 And that was in the interview about describing the 01:10PM 01:10PM 20 relationship between Mr. Bongiovanni and Mr. Gerace, correct? 21 Α. Yes. 01:10PM My -- remind me, I think you said on cross, though, you 22 01:10PM 23 don't remember what Mr. Bongiovanni actually said to describe 01:10PM 24 the relationship, correct? 01:10PM

Right. The sum and substance of his statements were that

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it was a relationship that was not a close relationship. 1 01:10PM And a relationship where communication went one way from 01:10PM 2 Mr. Gerace to Mr. Bongiovanni. 01:10PM Okay. But I just want to be clear, the way you're 01:10PM describing it, Mr. Bongiovanni doesn't use the term "close 01:10PM relationship," correct? He doesn't use that phrase, whether 01:10PM he's referring to whether something is a close relationship 01:10PM or not a close relationship, he doesn't use that phrase? 8 01:10PM 9 I don't remember if he used that exact phrasing, no. 01:10PM 10 Because you can't remember the exact words he used as you 01:10PM sit here today, correct? 01:10PM 11 12 No, I remember his message. 01:10PM 13 Okay. Okay. And then we can respond to some of 01:10PM 14 Mr. Tripi's questions. You talked about that there were a 01:11PM lot of subpoenas and subpoena records in the Wayne Anderson 15 01:11PM 16 file that you reviewed, correct? 01:11PM 17 Α. 01:11PM Yes. 01:11PM 18 Now, there was other information and other papers in that 19 file as well, too, correct? 01:11PM 01:11PM 20 Α. Yes. 21 And we're talking not just about the --Q. 01:11PM 22 Actually, can I -- can we differentiate which Wayne 01:11PM Α. 23 Anderson file you're asking about? 01:11PM 24 Yeah, I'm gonna actually expand it to be both, both the 01:11PM

shared file and the physical file that you found at

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- 1 Mr. Bongiovanni's house.
- 2 A. But specific to the last question, which one are you
- 3 | asking me about?
- 4 Q. I'm asking about both.
- 5 A. Okay.

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- 6 Q. You saw things like photos that appeared to be some sort
- 7 of surveillance, correct?
- 8 A. No. That was a Google Maps photo.
- 9 Q. I'm saying, did you review the shared file contents? The
- 10 | shared file contents of the Wayne Anderson file.
- 11 | A. Online shared file?
- 12 Q. Yes.
- 13 A. Yeah. There were -- yes, there were photos in there.
- 14 | Q. There were photos. That contained subpoenas, correct?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 | Q. It contained the hot sheets and reports that are
- 17 | generated in response to subpoenas, correct?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 Q. There were a number of subpoena utility returns, correct?
- 20 A. There were some, yes.
- 21 | Q. You said there were some maps and locations of Google
- 22 | Maps, correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 | Q. Okay. Appeared to be criminal histories that were run,
- 01:12PM 25 | correct?

01:12PM You -- the line of questioning is a little bit of 1 confusing though, because you're talking about online shared 2 01:12PM 3 files, you're conflating them with what was in his basement. 01:12PM I'm talking about in relation to the entire Wayne 01:12PM Anderson investigation. Whether it was in a physical copy or 01:12PM whether it was on the shared --01:12PM MR. TRIPI: Judge --01:12PM MR. MacKAY: I --8 01:12PM 9 MR. TRIPI: -- I object under 403. It's clearly the 01:12PM 10 witness is saying he's conflating two files, he can't answer 01:12PM it in the way it's being asked. 01:13PM 11 12 THE COURT: He hasn't asked a question yet. 01:13PM 13 MR. TRIPI: It was right before --01:13PM 14 THE COURT: Ask a question. 01:13PM 01:13PM 15 BY MR. MacKAY: 16 In relation to all of the material that you saw 01:13PM 17 associated with the Wayne Anderson investigation, that's what 01:13PM my -- that was done in 2013 -- that was started in 2012, went 01:13PM 18 19 into 2013, so I'm talking about both the physical file you 01:13PM 01:13PM 20 saw at Mr. Bongiovanni's house and I'm talking about the 21 online file, all those things I just went through, you saw 01:13PM 22 them somewhere in that investigation, correct? 01:13PM 23 Objection as to the term "investigation." MR. TRIPI: 01:13PM 24 THE COURT: No, I don't have a problem with that. 01:13PM 25 But the "all that" I have a problem with. 01:13PM

01:13PM 1 MR. MacKAY: Well --2 THE COURT: So I'm going to sustain the objection to 01:13PM 3 the form of the question. 01:13PM BY MR. MacKAY: 01:13PM 5 So I listed a bunch of different things that we 01:13PM Okay. talked about, different -- we'll call them investigative 01:13PM materials. Do you recall all of those I just went through? 01:13PM 8 Α. Yes. 01:14PM 9 Like the subpoenas, correct? 01:14PM Q. 10 01:14PM Α. Yes. 01:14PM 11 Q. Photos, correct? 12 Yes. 01:14PM 13 The subpoena returns for utilities, correct? 01:14PM Q. 14 Yes. 01:14PM Α. Criminal histories, correct? 15 Q. 01:14PM 16 Α. Yes. 01:14PM 17 NADDIS searches, correct? 01:14PM Q. 01:14PM 18 Α. Yes. 19 Q. DMV records, correct? 01:14PM 01:14PM 20 Α. Yes. 21 Now those are all things that, in your experience as a 01:14PM 22 DEA agent, are things that are associated with investigative 01:14PM 23 steps in an investigation with the DEA, correct? 01:14PM They're part of doing the background on targets, yes. 24 01:14PM Α. 25 Right. So those are background steps that are taken in 01:14PM

an investigation for the DEA, correct? 1 01:14PM 2 Α. Yes. 01:14PM And no matter where the pieces of the Wayne Anderson file 01:14PM were located -- on a share file, in the physical file at his 01:14PM house -- you saw those things that we just went through, 01:14PM correct? 01:14PM I guess if you're talking about after the search warrant 01:14PM at his house, then yes, that's correct. 8 01:14PM 9 Through the course of your investigation, you came to sit 01:14PM 10 here today and you reviewed all of that material, you saw all 01:15PM of those things, correct? 01:15PM 11 12 Yes. 01:15PM 13 MR. MacKAY: Okay. No further questions, Your Honor. 01:15PM 14 MR. TRIPI: I just have one, Judge. 01:15PM 15 01:15PM 16 RE-REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. TRIPI: 01:15PM 17 To be clear, just because there was some confusion a 01:15PM 01:15PM 18 minute ago, there were no hot sheets or phone analysis in the 19 official DEA files, either in hard copy or in the shared 01:15PM 01:15PM 20 file, that you had access to before you did the search 21 warrant at the defendant's house, correct? 01:15PM 22 Α. No. None that I saw, no. 01:15PM 23 So, correct? Q. 01:15PM 24 Correct, yes. 01:15PM Α.

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1	A. Yes.				
2	MR. TRIPI: Nothing further.				
3	MR. MacKAY: No further questions, Your Honor.				
4	THE COURT: Amen. You are you are finally done.				
5	You may step down. Thank you.				
6	THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your Honor.				
7	(Witness excused at 1:15 p.m.)				
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11	CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER				
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13	In accordance with 28, U.S.C., 753(b), I				
14	certify that these original notes are a true and correct				
15	record of proceedings in the United States District Court for				
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